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The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 11.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 55°; 8 p. m., 58°; maximum, 62°; minimum, 52°; mean, 57°.

Rainfall for the day, .36; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 3 37.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Showers have fallen along the Gulf and Southeast Atlantic coasts. Cloudy, cool weather has continued over the interior portions of the cotton belt during the past twenty-four hours.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina: Threatening weather and rain and dangerous northerly winds; warmer in the interior. It is probable that the tropical storm will reach the coast to the north of Charleston and that the southern portion of the South Atlantic States will escape the dangerous winds attending this storm. The tropical storm is apparently central to the south of Hatteras and the wind has reached a velocity of sixty miles from the northeast at Cape Henry.

The indications are that this storm will move northward during the next twenty-four hours, causing dangerous winds on the Atlantic coast States north of South Carolina.

OUTLINES.

The cotton crop—Report of its condition as shown by the Department of Agriculture. —— Grain and provisions—Wheat firm and higher, corn and oats advanced in price and pork closed higher. —— Fire at Murfreesboro—An entire block burned; loss estimated at $40 000, with small insurance. —— President Hoffman, of the Seaboard Air Line, makes a statement concerning negotiations for a controlling interest in the properties. —— The white people of Carroll county, Mississippi, are terribly excited over the discovery of a negro plot to inaugarate a war of extermination against the whites. —— Gold bug Democrats—Chairman Bynum says the Palmer and Buckner ticket in Illinois will not be withdrawn. —— Ex-Governor Smith, of Alabama, for many years a staunch and uncompromising Republican, has taken the stump for Bryan and Sewall. —— Hon. Wm. J. Bryan's journey from Aberdeen to Fargo, N. D.; expectant crowds at every station; enthusiastic greetings, and speeches made to great gatherings of people along the route. —— The financial situation, as shown by the statement of the Clearing House banks of New York. —— Fusion in West Virginia—The Populist State ticket will be withdrawn and the Democratic State ticket submitted. —— Foreign news—A long conference on the Venezuelan question; Earl Russell causes the arrest of his mother-in-law on a charge of criminal libel; Turkish jails crowded with Armenian prisoners. —— New York markets: Money on call to-day was quoted at 4@5 per cent.; cotton quiet—middling gulf 8 3-16c; middling 7 15-16c; Southern flour dull and steady—common to fair extra $3 20@3 60, good to choice $3 80@3 10; wheat, spot dull and firmer—ungraded red 67@69c; corn, spot was quiet and firmer—No. 2 80c at elevator and 81c afloat; spirits turpentine scarce and firmer at 29@29½c; rosin firmer—strained common to good $1 77½@1 80.

The Republicans are hoping to pull McKinley through Michigan on the coat-tails of Pingree, the Republican free silver candidate for Governor.

Kentucky is all right. The hens have got to laying eggs with a clearly formed B on one side and a fac simile dollar on the other side with 16 to 1 in bass relief. What does Secretary Carlisle think of that?

Mr. Difenderfer, secretary of the Silver party's committee, at Washington, wields a nimble pencil, too. He figures up 282 electoral votes sure for Bryan, 107 for McKinley, and 58 doubtful, with the chances that a majority of these will be for Bryan.

Bro. Pulitzer, of the New York *World*, after having put a silver trust worth $700,000,000 behind Bryan, and announced that the Democratic committee was hard up for funds, now announces that the aforesaid trust is going to dump its lucre in Indiana, Illinois and a few other Western States.

New Capes at Polvogt & Co.'s.

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Does the Louisville *Courier Journal* give it up? It reproduces the New York *Herald's* table forecasting the result of the election, which gives Bryan 210 votes and McKinley 237. Included in the States given to McKinley are Michigan, with 14 votes, and West Virginia with 6. The *Courier-Journal* marks these with a star, and adds in a foot note that these States are "likely to incline to Bryan." As Bryan needed only 14 votes, in the *Herald's* showing, to be elected, and as Michigan and West Virginia would supply 20, or 6 more than necessary, this looks as if the L. *C.-J.* might be giving it up.

A statement of the condition of the banks of this State July 14th, as issued by State Treasurer Worth, shows that they had reserves therein amounting in the aggregate to $19,497,273.77, of which they had on hand $509,380 in gold, $223,807.95 in silver and $621,132.38 in other currency. We refer to this because, although we have heretofore done so, the statement as it was first tabulated showed only $900 in gold, which error was attributed by the Chief Clerk, Denmark, to the printer.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Ledger*, McKinley paper, announces "a slight reaction from Republican enthusiasm in Maryland." By the way, Mr. Gorman, who is a pretty good authority on Maryland, says the Democrats have a grip on that State that Hanna can't break.

Judging from some of the pictures we see W. D. Bloxham, Governor-elect of Florida, resembles Hon. Tom Reed. But politically he isn't built like Tom, and doesn't resemble him any more than a nice red apple does a pumpkin.

Hon. Tom Reed announced that he would speak only in the doubtful States, and now he has been talking to the Bostonians. Did Bryan leave "an ugly trail" in Massachusetts, too?

Over 200,000 people welcomed Bryan and heard him speak in Indiana.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. W. SANDERS—Tea.
OPERA HOUSE—Rhea.
W. B. COOPER—Candy.
HALL & PEARSALL—Salt.
WILL WEST—Special notice.
J. H. REHDER & Co—Blankets.
MERCER & EVANS—Our shoes.
ROBERT PORTNER—Lager beer.
BRADDY & GAYLORD—Price list.
PALACE BAKERY—Don't forget.
C. W. YATES & Co—School books.
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G. R. FRENCH & SON—School shoes.
LEGER MEYER—Merchant tailoring.
TAYLOR'S BAZAAR—Breaking records
SAM'L BEAR, SR—Hides, fur, wanted.
W. E. SPRINGER & Co—Back ranges.
ATLANTIC NAT'L BANK—Statement.
MILLS & MONTGOMERY—Copartnership.
C. W. POLVOGT & Co.—Dress goods and carpets.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

L. J. KING—Announcement.
P. H. HAYDEN—Harness, saddles.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. Geo. A. Holderness, of Tarboro, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. C. Bailey, representing Messrs. Heinz & Co., is a visitor in the city.

— Mr. C. W. Peters and wife, of Charleston, S. C., is in the city on a visit.

— Mr. and Mrs. Armand D. Myers left for Portsmouth, Va., yesterday.

— Mr. E. T. Robertson, of Charleston, S. C., was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Jesse Bingham, of Providence, R. I., was a guest of The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. E. H. Jennings, of Fayetteville, was among the arrival in the city yesterday.

— Mr. McRee Hatch, of Asheville, one of Wilmington's foot ball players, arrived in the city last evening.

— Mr. Sidney Thomas, representing the Good Luck Baking Powder Company, of Richmond, Va., was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Among the visitors at the STAR office yesterday were Messrs. W. Fred. Aymar, Edgar J. Bear, John Lo.ow, Chas. Ottis, James Keenan and John Keenan, of Walter L. Main's Circus.

Have you seen the Dress Goods at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Tickets for Main's Circus can be obtained before each performance at Gerken's.

— The schooner *Eliza A. Scribner*, from Jacksonville, Fla., to Philadelphia, put in at Southport yesterday for a harbor.

— Firewood is scarce and in demand here just now. The few flats at the docks yesterday had only pine wood for sale.

— The regular Fall term of the Criminal Court for New Hanover county, Judge Meares presiding, will commence to-morrow.

— The regular business meeting of the Wilmington Light Infantry has been postponed from Monday, the 12th, to Monday, the 19th, at the usual hour.

— The regular quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Associated Charities will be held at the Central office on Monday, October 19th, at 12 m.

— There will be regular services at Brooklyn Baptist church to-day by the pastor. Sunday school will be held at 3 p. m., instead of 4, until further notice.

— Mr. Leger Meyer, until recently with Messrs. A. David & Co., will engage in business for himself on the 17th inst., in the merchant tailoring trade, on Market street, near the corner of Front.

— Cards have been issued for the marriage of Miss Mary Bolles, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. C. P. Bolles, to Dr. Andrew Howell Harriss, in St. James Episcopal church, Wilmington, N. C., at 7.30 o'clock p. m., October 14.

— The Seaboard Air Line will run special trains between Wilmington and Maxton on account of the Fair at the latter place on October 29th and 30th. The trains will leave in the morning and return in the evening. Exact figures will be given later.

— Eight coaches filled with excursionists from Liberty, Siler City and other points on the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad arrived here yesterday at 12.45 p. m. The visitors spent the day in the city, leaving on their return home at 7.10 o'clock last evening.

Reduced Rates on the S. A. L.

On account of the North Carolina State Agricultural Fair at Raleigh, N. C., October 19th to 24th, the Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets to that point, including admission to Fair grounds at reduced rates. Rate from Wilmington for tickets sold October 18th to 23d, good until October 26th, $4 85; for tickets sold October 21st and 22d, the rate will be $3 50, good until October 26th.

On account of the Durham Colored Fair at Durham, N. C., the Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets to that point at the rate of one first-class fare. Tickets on sale October 11th to 15th, limited to October 17th.

Reduced rates are authorized to Wilmington and return on account of the District Conference and Sunday School Convention at Southport, N. C., October 20th to 24th.

Reduced rates are authorized to Lilesville and return on account of the meeting of the Pee Dee Baptist Association. Tickets on sale October 21st to 25th, with final limit October 26th.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—993 bales cotton, 91 bbls. rosin, 48 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—3,027 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 98 bbls rosin, 12 bbls tar, 10 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—51 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 99 bbls rosin, 18 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—71 bales cotton, 32 casks spirits turpentine, 86 bbls rosin, 14 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 3,141 bales; spirits turpentine, 60 casks; rosin, 397 bbls; tar, 87 bbls; crude turpentine, 10 bbls.

High Tide at Ocean View.

The tide at Ocean View yesterday about noon was the highest in twenty years; yet very little damage was done. Mr. S. VanAmringe, who went down to the beach and returned last evening, said that outside of the loss of some piling put down in front of the bath house the damage would not exceed twenty-five dollars. Some of the steps to the cottages were washed up by the high waters, but not carried off. The wind was not high.

The only residents now on the beach are the families of Mr. B. F. Hall and Mr. E. J. Powers. The latter yesterday went over to Wrightsville to spend the night.

Colored Man Drowned.

Joe West, a young colored man about 21 years of age, was drowned in the river near the Champion Compress yesterday morning. He was standing on the end of a pier at Messrs. Sprunt & Sons' wharf, when he was seized with a fit and fell into the river. His body had not been recovered up to a late hour last evening. West was regarded as a half witted fellow, and had been subject to fits for some time.

GY. WATSON'S APPOINTMENTS.

Cyrus B. Watson, Democratic candidate for Governor, will address the people as follows:

Burgaw, 8th; Clinton, 9th; Kenansville, 10th; Trenton, 12th; Newbern, 13th, Kinston, 14th, and continues as far as Gatesville on the 24th.

Polvogt & Co. have received their new Blankets and Comforts.

WILMINGTON LIGHT INFANTRY

Will Give a Reception to the Public Next Wednesday Night—Gov. Carr and Staff Invited—Programme for the Entertainment of Visitors—The Committees.

The handsome Armory of the Wilmington Light Infantry will be thrown open to the public next Wednesday evening, the 14th inst., when a reception will be held by the company from 8 to 10 o'clock, which the members of the W. L. I. expect will be attended by all their friends. Special invitations have been sent to Gov. Carr and staff (who are expected to be here Wednesday evening on their return from Southport), to Col. Bruton and staff of the Second regiment, N. C. S. G., the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves, and officers of the revenue cutters *Colfax* and *Morrill*.

The members of the company wish the public—especially the business men—to see the great improvements made within the past six months in transforming the building into a veritable armory capable of withstanding the attack of any mob and providing the greatest care and security for the arms, ammunition and accoutrements of the military. All the windows on the ground floor of the building are protected with iron gratings, and the arms, etc., are kept in a steel "cage" in the assembly room on the first floor.

The programme for the reception embraces a concert, beginning at 8.15 o'clock, in which several lady vocalists of note will take part, also the Carolina Mandolin Club. After the concert the armory will be opened for inspection, a musical soiree will follow, and then a full dress inspection of the company. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

The committees who have charge of the various arrangements are—

Reception—Col. Walker Taylor, Col. W. R. Kenan, Capt. W. H. Northrop, Lieut. C. H. White, Lieut. R. C. DeRossett, Messrs. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr. 2d, William Whitney, Newton Gillican, R. H. Cowan, chairman.

Decorations—Messrs. R. N. Sweet, J. S. Hooper.

Music—Messrs. R. F. Fowler, A. P. Adrian, C. H. Cooper.

Invitations—Capt. W. H. Northrop.

MAIN'S COLLOSSAL SHOW

Pitched Its Tents Last Night at Hilton Park—Two Performances To-Morrow—Street Parade in the Morning.

The circus is here. Walter L. Main's three-ring circus arrived in the city last night at 12 o'clock, and immediately spread their canvas at Hilton Park. Mr. Main this year has one of the largest shows on the road, and the length of the train which pulled into Wilmington last night made the impatient mob, which was at the depot awaiting their arrival, think that the end would never come; but at last the end came, and the canvas and razor-back men at once began to unload.

Two performances will be given in this city to-morrow, at 2 and 8 p. m., each preceded by a free exhibition on the outside of the tent.

In the morning, sharply at 9:30 o'clock, the parade will start from the show grounds. The route will be down Fourth to Red Cross, down Red Cross to Front, down Front to Market, up Market to Seventh, down Seventh to Castle, down Castle to Front, up Front to Red Cross, up Red Cross to Fourth, and thence back to the grounds.

The circus is headed by the famous John Lowlow, who has gained fame and fortune in the arena. He is the most celebrated clown in the world. Although getting along in years himself, his business in the ring is never old. Then there is the five-continent menagerie, including part of the Hackenback trained animals of World's Fair note. The Fisher family, celebrated ærial artists, also come in for a share of the praise. Wilmington has also a representative with the show—Mr. Edgar Bear, who has been with Main's circus for the past two seasons.

OPERA HOUSE.

Rhea Tuesday Night in "Mary, Queen of Scots."

Mlle. Rhea, the noted French actress, will be seen at the Opera House Tuesday night, in Schiller's masterpiece of play-building, "Mary, Queen of Scots." The role played in this piece by Mlle. Rhea gives her ample opportunity to portray that well known historical character. As an emotional actress she has but few equals, while in romantic and historical roles she ranks with the greatest. The theatre-going public of America never refuses recognition to an actress who has true worth, and the criticisms which Mlle. Rhea has been winning from the press and individuals for a number of years past shows that her coming has been always hailed as an event of the utmost importance. Her work in the "Czarina" in this city about four years ago has been remembered by the lovers of the drama here as an artistic piece of acting. This time she comes in her greatest impersonation—"Mary Queen of Scots." For the season of 1896 and 1897, Rhea is under the managements of Rich & Maeder, who have surrounded her with one of the best supporting companies on the dramatic stage.

The box sheet opened at Gerken's yesterday with reserved seats at $1.00.

Seventh Annual Fair.

The Seventh Annual Fair of the Border Exposition of the Carolinas will be held at Maxton, N. C., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 28, 29 and 30. Send for Premium List.

W. B. HARKER,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Visit Polvogt & Co.'s to-morrow. They offer fifty bargains.

Carpets and Rugs at Polvogt & Co.'s.

THE FUSION QUESTION.

CHAIRMAN AYER'S REPLY TO CHAIRMAN MANLY

Throws a Damper on the Proposed Arrangement With the Populists—A Complete Surrender Required—Other Raleigh News—Gov. Carr and Staff Will Visit Southport to Meet the United States Cruiser Raleigh.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 10.

The assessment of county and State taxes in Wake county amounts to $107,414 19.

Chairman Ayer gives his approval to the policy pursued in securing an order from Judge Montgomery citing Democratic registrars of Winston to appear here and show cause why they should not register.

Chairman Ayer tells me that he has not called his Executive or Central Committee together. He made reply to Chairman Manly last night after receiving his proposition. It is understood that the reply asked for a more definite proposition from the Democrats as to fusion. It is thought by many persons that Chairman Manly only made the first of a series of moves, which will result in a general proposition for complete fusion on all matters.

Raleigh will send a large delegation to Wilmington on the fourteenth, when the presentation of the gift to the cruiser *Raleigh* occurs. One or more cheap excursions will likely carry large numbers of people from here.

The object of Congressman Shuford's visit to Raleigh Tuesday is just learned. He had heard of the proposed fusion between Democrats and Populists, and he came here to exert his influence against it. Shuford is close to the Republican bosses. A leading Republican, who has authority to speak, told Shuford that if the Populist committee fused with the Democrats, they would put up a gold Democrat against him.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Chairman Ayer's reply to Chairman Manly's communication has thrown a damper on the fusion arrangements. In his reply, Chairman Ayer stated that the Democratic proposal was entirely too general, and then there was nothing tangible in it. He referred Chairman Manly to the proposition of the Populists submitted by Senator Butler August 1st, requesting fusion on Congressmen, State and county matters, as well as electoral, to which the Democrats have never made answer. Ayer begged to submit this as his answer, and he added, significantly, that conditions had changed since then and it was not to be expected that the acceptance of the August proposition would be binding with the Populists. Ayer stated to-day that he had no right to expect any reply from Chairman Manly. No communication has passed between the two chairmen to-day. Otho Wilson wants a complete surrender. It is stated that the Democratic Central Committee will meet early next week.

SUPERIOR COURT.

The Case of Rittenhouse vs. the Wilmington Street Railway Company Still on Trial—Adjournment Until Monday.

Yesterday was the sixth day of the trial of the case of Rittenhouse vs. the Wilmington Street Railway Company.

Argument in the case was begun, Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., opening for the plaintiff, and Geo. Rountree, Esq., for the defence. Col. Thomas Strange followed for the plaintiff. During the afternoon session A. G. Ricaud, Esq., spoke for the defendant, and A. J. Marshall, Esq., for the plaintiff.

At 7 o'clock p. m. Court adjourned until after supper, and further argument was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The case will probably go to the jury to-morrow afternoon.

During the evening session, motion was made by Iredell Meares, Esq., for a new trial in the case of Fanny G. Pritchard et al. vs. Ed. Wilson Manning. The motion was overruled and an appeal was taken.

A motion was made by Col. Waddell and John D. Bellamy, Esq., for a new trial in the case of T. B. Burnett vs. W., N. & N. Railway et al. The motion was overruled, and an appeal taken.

In the case of Alice Hardison vs. W. J. King et al., action for the recovery of plaintiff's child, in which decision was reserved, it was ordered that the child, which is now in the possession of the defendant, be restored to the plaintiff. C. P. Lockey, Esq., for defendant, made a motion for a new trial. The motion was overruled, and an appeal was taken.

At 10.30 p. m., Court adjourned until to-morrow morning.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt, pastor. German service at 11 a. m. English service at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 3:30 p. m. All seats free.

Services in St. John's church to-day, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy Communion 7.45 a. m. Morning Prayer, Litany and sermon 11 o'clock. Evening Prayer 5 o'clock. Sunday school 4 p. m.

St. Matthews' English Lutheran church, Fourth street above Bladen street, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock, evening service at 7.30 o'clock, Sunday school at 3 p. m. Seats all free, and every person cordially invited.

St. Paul's church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. F. N. Skinner, rector. Services to-day, nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 4 p. m. All seats free.

COLORED CHURCHES.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. Church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. J. Gregg pastor—Preaching to-day at 10 30 a. m. by the pastor. Subject: "Why Educate?" At 8 p. m. an address by President Jas. B. Dudley. Subject: "Education of the Hand." At 3 p. m. Sunday school exercises for Endowment Day.

New Patterns and Mattings expected Tuesday at Polvogt & Co.'s.

Fifty bargains to-morrow at Polvogt & Co.'s.

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If you will invest $1.25 in a trial subscription of three months you will have ample opportunity to form a fair judgment of the merits of THE MORNING STAR.

Storm Warning.

Hurricane signals were displayed here last night at the signal station upon orders from Washington, D. C., as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., 10 40 A. M., October 10.—Hurricane signals are ordered at Morehead, Washington, Norfolk section, and Newport News. The storm apparently is central off the South Atlantic coast, and will probably cause dangerous northeast gales on the Middle Atlantic coast to night and Sunday. The wind is likely to reach hurricane velocity on the North Carolina coast. Warn vessels that it is not safe to leave port.

WASHINGTON, D. C., 2:30 P. M., October 10.—Hoist hurricane signals at 3:30 p. m. A tropical storm is apparently central east of Florida, moving northward, and will cause northerly winds of hurricane velocity off the South Atlantic coast and high winds inland. Distribute information and warn shipping.

Up to 1 o'clock this morning there was nothing approaching even a gale here; the wind at the hour mentioned was blowing strong from the northeast and a light rain was falling. The storm probably had passed Wilmington.

Escaped from Jail.

The Fayetteville *Observer* says that four prisoners escaped from the jail there last Saturday morning. The escapes are: Henry Simpson, in for rape, whose trial for his life at the last term of the court resulted in a disagreement of the jury; Henry Dickson, a Federal prisoner, and said to be a desperate man; Colin McNeill, awaiting trial for larceny, and Isaiah McDuffie, in for non-payment of costs.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 30 cents

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 30 cents. tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

OPERA HOUSE.
TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 13.
Event of the Season. Engagement of the Distinguished Artist
Rhea,
Supported by a Metropolitan Company, under direction of Rich & Maeder, presenting her Greatest Triumph,
"Mary, Queen of Scots,"
In five acts, by Schiller. A special feature of the production is the Magnificent Costuming.
oct 9 3t fr su tu

CANDY.
125 Boxes CANDY.
100 Pails CANDY.
800 Barrels FLOUR.
900 Bags FLOUR.
100 Barrels APPLES.
125 Boxes CAKES.
75 Boxes RAISINS.
100 Barrels MULLETS.
75 Cases TOMATOES.
W. B. COOPER.
oct 11 tf DAW Wilmington, N. C.

Attention.
I wish to inform the public of Wilmington that I will open a first class
MERCHANT TAILORING,
with a brand new stock of Woollens, the styles in Mobby Goods that I am at present selecting in New York, that I will display on or about the 17th of October on Market street, two doors below R. R. Bellamy's drug store.
It will be of interest to good dressers to wait and see my stock before buying elsewhere.
Satisfaction guaranteed.
Respectfully,
LEGER MEYER,
oct 11 1m Late with A. David & Co.

Ship Your
Hides, Fur and Wax
AND OBTAIN
Highest Market Price
—TO—
SAM'L BEAR, Sr.,
12 Market St., Wilmington, N. C.
oct 11 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TAYLOR'S BAZAAR,
Market Street,
BREAKING ALL RECORDS,
both in prices and sales.
Last Week's Wonderful
TRADE AGAIN DEMONSTRATE
That Wilmington Recognizes Value.
AND NOW FOR ANOTHER WEEK.
New Goods,
Novelties and Staples
AT PRICES
Absolutely Unparalleled.
Space will not permit us to quote prices, so we ask one and all to call and see for yourselves.
Taylor's Bazaar,
No. 118 Market St.
oct 11 tf

For School Books
—AND—
SCHOOL SUPPLIES,
SEND IN YOUR ORDERS TO
C. W. Yates & Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.,
THE LARGEST
School Furnishing House
in North Carolina.
Liberal discounts to Merchants.
sep 20 tf

We Are Now Receiving a Cargo
LIVEROOOL SALT,
in bulk, which we offer in lots and sizes to suit.
APPLES.
A small lot very fine just in
Also fresh lines of Butter, Cheese, Cakes, Crackers, Candy, Meats, Lard, &c., &c., constantly arriving.
HALL & PEARSALL,
Nutt and Mulberry streets.
sep 30 DaW tf

School Shoes.

We have been thinking about your Children's SHOES, School Shoes particularly. If you want a good serviceable Shoe for your son, one that will out-wear any Shoe you can get, try a pair of our Boys' Kangaroo Calf Lace Shoes with sole leather tips at $1.25 and $1.50. Try one pair and you'll buy no other.
Geo. R. French & Sons.
sep 9 tf

Co-Partnership Notice.
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING FORMED a co-partnership under the style firm of Mills & Montgomery, for the purpose of conducting a Horse Exchange and Sale Stable, also a general business in Buggies, Wagons, Harness, &c., respectfully invite an inspection of their stock and solicit the patronage of their friends and the public generally. Business will be open by Oct. 15th, 1896.
Respectfully,
FRANK T. MILLS.
JAS. A. MONTGOMERY.
Nos. 110, 112 and 114 North Water street, Wilmington, N. C.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Blankets,
Comforts, Underwear.
Gray and white Double Blankets, 49c.
Extra heavy Double Blankets, 75 and 98c.
A Good Red Blanket, $1 25.
Better grade, $2 25; All Wool, $4.75.
One-half wool white Blankets, $2.25 and $3.50.
$6 50 California Wool Blanket, $5.00.
A Good Comforter at 59c.
Better grades at 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.25 and $3.00.
Children's Cotton Vests, 10, 15 and 25c.
Children's Ribbed Vests, 25, 35 and 50c.
Ladies' Ribbed Vests, 15, 25 and 50c.
Our 50c Grade is 1-2 Wool.
All Wool $1.25 White and Red Wool Vests and Pants, 98c.
Men's Cotton Undershirts, 18, 25 and 50c.
Men's white Wool Undershirts, a Bargain, 50c.
A splendid line in White, Red and Gray Shirts and Drawers at 98c, $1.40 and $1.85 a Suit.
Special Values in Latest Style
Dress Goods
10c up to $1.00 per yard.
Dress Trimmings and Linings, Millinery, Capes and Cloaks, Carpets and Mattings, Clothing and Hats, Boots and Shoes.
It will pay you to visit
J. H. Rehder & Co.
Near Fourth Street Bridge.
Write for samples of Dress Goods.
'Phone 118.
Car fare paid on purchases of $8.00 and upwards.
Beautiful Crayon Portraits given away when purchases amount to $10. Ask for Punch Card.
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Report

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK at Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business October 6th, 1896:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$445,843 28
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		4 72
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		45,000 00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	$ 71,048 73	
Due from State Banks and Bankers	94,411 12	
Due from approved reserve agents	135,088 65	
Checks and other cash items	145 90	
Notes of other National Banks	220 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	466 80	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$37,480 50	
Legal-tender notes	33,784 00	106,314 50
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)	2,058 50	383,741 81
Total		$990,339 81

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$125,000 00
Surplus fund		45,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		8,163 68
National Bank notes outstanding		41,170 00
Due to other National Banks	$ 31,547 68	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	78,095 89	
Dividends unpaid	51 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	546,018 36	
Certified checks	15 00	
Cashier's checks outstanding	10,399 79	666,027 72
Total		$990,339 81

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss:

I, W. J. Toomer, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. J. TOOMER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of October, 1896.

F. R. HAWES, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: WM. E. SPRINGER, C. W. WORTH, J. W. NORWOOD, Directors.

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GOLD IS ON ONE SIDE.
Silver Is On the Other.
But we will take as much of both, or Greenbacks either, at 100 cents in the dollar, as we can get, in exchange
For Our Shoes,
Which we are offering to the generous public at
Prices Which Will Astonish.
Take a look at our Show Window. Remember the H. C. Evans' old stand, 63½ steps east from corner Front and Princess.
Respectfully,
Mercer & Evans,
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T. T.
Tea, Tea, Tea, Tea,
T. T. T. T.
Tea, Tea, Tea, Tea,
One pound Good Tea and
Two pounds Gran. Sugar for 30c, at
The Unlucky Corner.
oct 4 tf

DON'T FORGET
TO SEE OUR
Fine Display of Candies
—AT—
PALACE BAKERY,
Saturday, October 10.
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AND THE DOCTOR SAID:
"Take it to Nutt's Drug Store."
He knew that here his prescription would receive the best attention.
He knew that only the freshest and purest drugs would be used.
He knows it because he has been sending his prescriptions here for years, and has never had occasion to find fault.
Prescription filling is serious work. NUTT'S Up-to-Date Drug Store.
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, OCT. 11, 1896

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT:
WILLIAM J. BRYAN,
of Nebraska.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:
ARTHUR SEWALL,
of Maine.

FOR ELECTORS.

Electors-at-Large—Locke Craig, of Buncombe, and R. B. Davis, of New Hanover.

First District—Theo. F. White, of Perquimans.

Second District—H. F. Freeman, of Wilson.

Third District—C. R. Thomas, of Craven.

Fourth District—W. S. Bailey, of Nash.

Fifth District—William Merritt, of Person.

Sixth District—B. F. Keith, of New Hanover.

Seventh District—Theo. F. Klutts, of Rowan.

Eighth District—Tyre York, of Wilkes.

Ninth District—R. D. Gilmer, of Haywood.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR GOVERNOR:
CYRUS B. WATSON,
of Forsyth.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:
THOMAS W. MASON,
of Northampton.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE:
CHARLES M. COOKE,
of Franklin.

FOR STATE TREASURER:
B. F. AYCOCK,
of Wayne.

FOR STATE AUDITOR:
R. M. FURMAN,
of Buncombe.

FOR SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
of Johnston.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL:
F. I. OSBORNE,
of Mecklenburg.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICES SUPREME COURT:
A. C. AVERY, of Burke,
GEO. H. BROWN, Jr., of Beaufort.

FOR JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT.
JAMES S. MANNING, of Durham.

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

1st District—W. H. Lucas, of Hyde.
2d " F. A. Woodard, of Wilson.
3d " Frank Thompson, Onslow.
4th " E. W. Pou, of Johnston.
5th " W. W. Kitchin, of Person.
6th " Jas A. Lockhart, of Anson.
7th " S. J. Pemberton, of Stanly.
8th " R. A. Doughton, Alleghany
9th " Jos. S. Adams, Buncombe.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Sheriff—Frank H. Stedman.
Register of Deeds—John Haar.
Treasure—Josh. T. James.
Coroner—Peter H. Smith.
Commissioners—Roger Moore.
J. G. L. Gieschen.
—W. F. Alexander.
Constable—(Wil. township) W. H. Biddle.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
B. F. KING.
D. J. FERGUS.

☞ COCKRAN ON SLAVEHOLDERS.—Will you submit to this conspiracy between the professional farmers, the farmers who cultivate the quarrels of their neighbors, farmers who labor with their jaws, Populist agitators of the West, and the unreconciled slave-holders of the South? This is a conspiracy between professional farmers, who want to pay low wages, and the unreconciled slave-holders, who would like to pay no wages at all.—(Extract from the speech of Bourke Cockran, delivered in New York August 18th.)

DOLLAR VS. MEN.

Ever since the protective tariff became an issue between the Democratic and the Republican parties the people of this country have had to fight money in their elections, and a great deal of it, for the protected manufacturers who wanted to retain the protection they had and to get more contributed very liberally to the Republican campaign funds and got their money back with good interest when they won the elections; but never in all the political history of this country has the contest been so emphatically one of dollars against men as now. Never has the Democratic party had concentrated against it so many agencies of combined wealth as now. It is eminently and literally a campaign of dollars on one side against reason, argument and the masses on the other, and is so regarded by the people and so practically confessed by the agents of the combines against the people.

This is illustrated in the typical representative] of these combines, the distinguished Mark Hanna, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Who is Mark Hanna?

He is a wealthy iron manufacturer of that city. He has made most of the money which constitutes his large fortune out of the practical monopoly which he and others engaged in that industry enjoyed through that "protection" given them by Republican tariffs. He was the man who, after McKinley became financially wrecked by the failure of some manufacturing establishments in which he was interested, started the subscription to pay his debts, amounting to something like $100,000.

This does not reflect upon Mr. McKinley, who acted squarely in the premises and surrendered all his property to make good his obligations, and if the interest taken by Mr. Hanna had been inspired only by his high regard or friendship for Mr. McKinley it would have been highly creditable to him, but there is ground for the suspicion, at least, that there was an ulterior motive in this not so creditable, and that ulterior motive was to put Mr. McKinley under obligations to him which would enable him to use Mr. McKinley later.

When the time came he put Mr. McKinley forward as his candidate for the Presidency, as the typical representative of himself and other protected manufacturers.

He went about securing the nomination of McKinley in a business-like way, and the campaign of dollars was inaugurated, a campaign which has grown since Hanna's success at St. Louis into one of phenomenal and almost incredible proportions.

The Republican aspirants for the nomination against McKinley could make no headway against the power of the dollars that Hanna secured to further the candidacy of his man. After being frequently charged with "fat frying" and corruption, and after frequent denials, he admitted, when he had won his game and nominated McKinley, that the nomination cost him $100,000, $60,000 of which was contributed by others and $40,000 of which was furnished by himself. It is perfectly natural and consistent that the manager who started out to nominate his candidate with dollars should rely upon dollars to secure his election.

The money issue having become the looming issue of the campaign, in spite of Hanna, who wanted to put the tariff issue to the front, he has been enabled to secure the co-operation of numerous agencies which he could not have enlisted if the tariff had been the leading issue, and securing the co-operation of these he has been enabled to command a fabulous sum of money and make this the shameless campaign of dollars which it has become.

The Republican organs openly boast of the colossal campaign fund that Hanna has at his command, and taunt the Democrats with the poverty of their treasury as if this was an evidence of a bad cause. Heretofore they were rather disinclined to admit that they had much money to spend or were spending much, but now they gleefully herald the announcement that Hanna has more money than any chairman of a Republican committee ever had before, boast of it and glory in it as if it was something to be proud of, and while thus boasting admit that they are placing their dependence on the corruption fund that Hanna has secured, for that is what it is. There is need for money in all political campaigns, for there are legitimate expenses which must be met, but there is no need in an honest campaign for the millions that Hanna has gathered.

Isn't this an evidence that he and the men who are co-operating with him for the election of McKinley are afraid of the American people and realize that if McKinley wins it must be by the free use of money, and thus confess that this is an election where dollars are arrayed against men, and where fraud and corruption are counted upon to do a mighty part? But if they realize this so do the people, and that makes the task of Hanna and his lieutenants all the more difficult. If it is a contest of dollars versus men so the *men* realize that it is a contest of men versus dollars, and when the manhood of Americans is thoroughly aroused as it is being by these defiant boastings of Hanna's hirelings their manhood will assert itself and the horde of corruptionists with their dollars will be vanquished.

WATCH THE BORDERS.

The Republican managers in this State have been using extraordinary efforts to get the names of Republican voters on the registry lists, and there is little doubt that they are registering many who are not voters in the State. Under the present registry law this is not a difficult matter if the man who registers is willing to take the chances of prosecution afterwards for illegal registering, but as very few of those who are corralled for this purpose know anything about this law or the penalties attached to illegal registering, and those who corrall them take good care not to let them know anything about it, the prospect of punishment isn't a serious obstacle in the way of this villainy.

Along the border counties there are good opportunities for the Republican hustlers to get in this kind of work, and that they are doing it is shown by the following, which we clip from the Charlotte *News* of Thursday last:

"The Democratic managers have reliable information that South Carolina negroes are being colonized by the wholesale in this city and county for the purpose of swelling the Republican vote in November.

"A number are already spotted, and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law if their names are illegally found on the registration books.

"It is important that every Democrat be on the lookout for floating negroes, and keep the Democratic Committee posted about the presence of suspicious characters.

"The registration feature of the new election law renders this colonization comparatively easy.

"The registrars must register every man who applies, no matter if they know that he is not properly entitled to vote at that precinct. He must be registered without question. That is the way the Populists and Republicans construe the law.

"It is well known that the registration of negro voters is larger than ever before, and it has been time and again reported that negroes from South Carolina are being brought over into this and adjoining counties, and rushed to the registration books.

"It is the duty of every white man to look out for these frauds at every precinct in the county, and to report every instance to the Democratic committee, so that it may be investigated and the fraudulent voter prosecuted."

The Republicans have no hope of carrying South Carolina, but have some hope of carrying this State, which is clearly shown by the interest they take and the efforts they are making to get their voters registered. While nothing is lost by taking voters out of South Carolina, which they look upon as beyond their reach, every voter they import from that State helps them in this State.

This rascally game can be played in this end of the State and all along the Southern border as well as it can in Mecklenburg and adjoining counties, and it doubtless will be played unless Democrats are wide awake and keep an eagle eye on the registering and spot the imported.

MINOR MENTION.

The New York *World* has for some time been making itself conspicuously ridiculous by creating a great silver trust, alleged to be worth, in round numbers, $700,000,000, which is backing the fight for free silver, and it makes itself ridiculous again by publishing semi-occasionally attractively headed accounts of the dilapidated condition of the treasury of the National Democratic Committee, in which there is much more truth than in the silver trust fake, which has been repeatedly exposed. But if there were any truth in the silver trust canard the Washington *Post*, gold standard paper, hits the esteemed *World* on the head, and thus shows how that kind of talk doesn't count in this campaign:

"We have more than once already pointed out the stupidity of the New York *World's* cackle over the alleged "silver trust" and its wicked and nefarious designs upon the United States Treasury. It seems fair to assume that if there were such a trust and if that trust had any sort of comprehension of its own welfare the campaign fund of the Bryan committee would not be so empty. Trusts of all kinds look out for their selfish interests. They are established for that purpose. The oil trust, the sugar trust, the whole lot of them, were organized for the purpose of making money. They seek legislation which protects and oppose legislation which threatens them. That is their right as well as their profit and they would be fools and cowards if they did not exercise it. We argue, therefore, that if there were a silver trust, and if it were animated by intelligence enough to equip a canary bird, it would be fighting for Bryan just as resolutely and industriously as the other trusts are now fighting for McKinley.

"And why not? Is there anything wicked in a business corporation seeking its own advantage? How long would any commercial or industrial concern last which made a practice of neglecting that advantage? Men do not put their money into such enterprises for the purpose of frittering it away. They do not organize industrial or financial schemes and then sit idly by when their fortunes, for good or evil, are at stake. Nobody seems to see any harm in the banks, the manufacturers, the representatives of aggregated wealth, contributing to the McKinley cause, nor does anybody doubt that they are prompted in this by the pure and simple and unalloyed desire to promote their own interests. Only very ignorant and very credulous persons take stock in the tears that are shed over the workingman by the corporations. Every one of intelligence understands that the corporations are anxious chiefly for themselves. And, as we have shown, this is as proper as it is natural and logical.

"Why, then, supposing that a combination of silver mine owners really exists, should these gentlemen refrain from doing what other capitalistic combinations are doing? We see no evidence of the alleged silver trust, but why, if there be one, should it not consider its interests? Why should it be reviled and denounced for action that is regarded as noble and patriotic in other trusts? Is the liberty of which we boast reserved for sound money corporations only?"

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It is said that Manager Hanna is now giving attention to the wheat market, because he has come to the conclusion that the condition of the wheat market will have no little influence on the chances of his candidate, McKinley. Wheat has raised in price lately because of a foreign demand in consequence of a shortage in the world's supply, but for all this the market is speculative and fluctuates, being up one day and down another. If it should drop materially it would seriously affect McKinley, and hence it is to the interest of the men who are backing him to keep it up, and to boom it as the time of election draws nigh. They can do this very easily and without putting a great deal of money in it or losing much. These schemers who buy and sell under this arrangement need never deliver, and they can fix the little matter of margins between themselves without anybody else being the wiser. This also accounts to some extent for the advance in the price of stocks which they hasten to inform the public is the result of "returning confidence" and the "growing conviction" that McKinley will be elected. There is plausibility in the report that Hanna has organized a big pool, commanding about $5,000,000, to buy and boost wheat in Chicago, but whether the amount be exaggerated or not there is little doubt that he and his co-workers are manipulating the wheat pit.

There is one thing that bothers the Washington *Post*, which is for gold, which it gives expression to thus: "The truth is that the only features of the present campaign which tend to shake our absolute faith in the virtue of the gold standard is the unanimity and the eagerness with which the British newspapers are urging us to perpetuate it." British financiers roped this country into the adoption of the gold standard and it is only natural that they and the papers which speak for them should urge its perpetuation. It is business with them. They are sucking the orange.

Catarrh is a constitutional disease and requires a constitutional remedy like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies the blood.

BOOK NOTICES.

The literary reader will find *The Bookman* for October a very entertaining number. The lists of contents is full and varied. Published by Dodd, Mead & Co., Fifth avenue and 21st street, New York.

The Southern States for September contains an interesting article on the Hill Country of Florida, and much other matter that will be read with interest by the seeker after information as to the South. Published by the Manufacturers' Record Publishing Company, Baltimore, Md.

A superb number is the *Review of Reviews* for October, filled from cover to cover with interesting matter, copiously illustrated. There is a good deal of special mention bearing upon the political question and the contending parties which is interesting. Address Review of Reviews, No. 13 Astor Place, New York.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Rockingham *Rocket*: We regret to learn of the death of Miss Lizzie, daughter of Mr. W. R. Covington, which occurred last week at Roberdel.

— Sanford *Express*: There is talk of utilizing the splendid water power at Moncure by putting in a cotton mill there. Northern capitalists will build and operate the mill.

—Chatham *Record*: We are pleased to learn that many of the Democratic primaries held last Saturday, were unusually well attended. At one precinct a larger number of Democrats were present than voted at the last election.

— Charlotte *Democrat*: It was reported yesterday, by a reliable person, that Wade Gardner, of Providence, picked 456 pounds of cotton one day this week. Beginning after the sun was fairly up, resting one hour at dinner, and quit in time to weigh the cotton before sundown.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: The *Commonwealth* was pained to learn of the death of Mr. D. C. Thrower at his home, near Enfield, a few days ago. —— Miss Lizzie Savage, daughter of Mr. John Savage, of Edgecombe, died last Saturday of typhoid fever and was buried Sunday.

— Maxton *Scottish Chief*: Mr. Chas. H. Tallaferro, who has for a number of years past been engaged in saw-milling in this county, notably at Red Springs and Bures, died last Thursday at the hospital in Richmond, Va., where he had gone some three months since to be treated for rheumatism.

— Red Springs *Citizen*: It is with regret we announce the death of Mrs. Mary McLeod, at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. C. S. Ray, on Thursday last. She was a typical Scotch character and retained during her life those strong and noble traits that are always so interesting and lovable in her countrymen.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Matt Jacobs, colored, was on Saturday bound over by Justice L. C. Hubbard upon a charge of burning a house containing nearly two bales of cotton, all the property of Mr. Ernest Hobbs. The house was burned last week at night and Jacobs is alleged to have threatened to burn it. Tracks were found from the house leading to Jacobs' cabin.

— Durham *Herald*: There is at least one man in this county who has been living over a century and if nothing happens will vote for W. J. Bryan and silver on November 3. His name is Anderson Gates, colored, and lives about a mile north of Durham. He registered at the North Durham precinct last Saturday and gave his age as 102. When he registered he said he had never voted anything but the Democratic ticket and if he lived he would vote for Bryan this year.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Somehow or other nearly all of the Eastern papers except Mr. Dana's *Sun* have ceased to refer to Bryan as an anarchist. They found that with Herr Most arguing for the gold standard, such epithets cost more than they come to.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

—— There is another way to get at Mr. McKinley's views on trusts. How many did he crush when he was Governor of Ohio? How many of the concerns in which Mark Hanna is interested were made to feel the sting of McKinley's anti-trust lash? —*N. Y. Journal, Dem.*

—— Will Southern Democrats who propose to vote for McKinley directly, or indirectly by supporting Palmer, please remember that he voted for the Lodge Force bill when a member of Congress, and that there is no question but he would sign such a bill if were unfortunately elected and his party should decide that party exigency required it. Please bear these facts in mind.—*New Orleans States, Dem.*

—— The *Sentinel* is in receipt of a circular letter from Albert A. Pope, of Hartford, Conn., who is at the head of the Pope Manufacturing Company, makers of "Columbia" bicycles, in which he says: "If I thought Bryan would be elected on the free silver platform I should feel it my duty to close down our factories to-morrow, thus throwing out of employment hundreds of worthy men by a step which would be necessary to protect ourselves, for we believe that, with the free silver party in power, we have enough stock made up to last a long time." This will be interesting to Democrats who may have occasion to purchase bicycles.—*Indianapolis Sentinel, Dem.*

APPOINTMENTS.

Wilmington District—W. S. Rone, P. E.
Wilmington, Fifth Street, Oct. 4, 5.
Brunswick circuit, Macedonia, October 10, 11.
Southport station, Oct. 11, 12.
Scott's Hill circuit, Union, Oct. 17, 18.
Wilmington, Market Street, night, Oct. 18.
Elizabeth circuit, Elizabethtown, Oct. 24, 25.
Clinton circuit, Goshen, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1.
Carver's Creek Circuit, Shiloh, November 7, 8.
Kenansville circuit, Rose Hill, November 14, 15.
Magnolia circuit, Providence, November 16, 16.
Columbus circuit, Cerro Gordo, November 20 21.
Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville, Nov. 22, 23.
Waccamaw circuit, Zion, Nov. 24.

HER OLD BLUE MUSLIN GOWN.

CHARLES PRESCOTT SHERMAN.

When waxlights shine on diamonds' blaze,
On snowy shoulders gleam,
There comes a thought of other days;
I see as in a dream,
A dainty table, spread at five,
Vine-shadows flickering down,
And behind the teacups, Margery,
In her old blue muslin gown.

Its ruffles lay about a throat,
So round, so ivory fair;
Its sleeves are full, yet one might note
Divine arms hidden there.
Away with Redfern-Pinget-Worth—
Those messieurs of renown?
No gown o'er owned to them its birth
Like that blue muslin gown!

Why do not manufacturers make
More muslin plain soft blue—
And girls all other tints forsake
For that bewitching hue?
Well gowned they are, and fair, I grant,
But there's not one can drown
My memory of Margery
In her old blue muslin gown.

My castle's over sea in Spain—
Alas! how far away!
And it has a winsome chatelaine
Who wears no satin gay.
She waits, upon a vine clad porch,
My coming home from town,
And she looks like none but Margery
In her old blue muslin gown.

—*Scribner's.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— He is good that does good to others.—*Bruyere.*

— Paradise is open to all kind hearts.—*Beranger.*

— The most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.—*Washington.*

— The most profound joy has more of gravity in it than joy.—*Montague.*

— He who goes no further than bare justice stops at the beginning of virtue.—*Blair.*

— Seldom ever was knowledge given to keep but to impart; the grace of this rich jewel is lost in concealment.—*Bishop Hall.*

— Bishop Fitzgerald's definition: "Scriptural holiness means a holy heart and a holy life, which definition includes the pardon of sin, the renewal of the soul, the love of God shed abroad in the heart by the Holy Ghost, which is given to every child of God; or, in exact Bible language, it is "Righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost."—*Greensboro Christian Advocate.*

— Christians have eternal life—have it now. They have this little time yet on earth for a purpose. That purpose is to glorify God by getting others into the kingdom. If one really believes he has eternal life and only a short time in which to strive that this friends and all the world may have it, how ardently, how persistently will he strive!—*Raleigh Biblical Recorder.*

— The great God, before whom angels veil their faces, had an only son, and he was sent to the earth as a missionary physician. It is something to be a missionary—to be a follower, however feeble, in the wake of the Great Teacher and only model missionary that ever appeared among men; and now that he is head over all things, King of kings and Lord of lords, what commission is equal to that which the missionary holds from him? May we venture to invite young men of education, when laying down the plan of their lives, to take a glance at that of missionary?—*David Livingstone.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Offspring—Pa, what does feesimple mean?

Pa—It's the fee the man gives to the minister when he gets married.—*Boston Transcript.*

— Miss Dorothy—Curious thing, that the Rev. Mr. Hicks should marry his type-writer.

The Rival Parson—Had to. She knew where he got his sermons.—*Life.*

— "Life is full of ups and downs."

"Yes, and I know a young fellow who was in business and went under."

"Well?"

"And immediately his friends threw him over."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Miss Fiancee—Are you sure you would love me just as tenderly if our conditions were reversed—if you were rich and I were poor?

He—Reverse our conditions and try me.—*Harlem Life.*

— Kilson—A foolish New York artist has just married an Indian who posed for several of her pictures.

Thatcher—Well, I suppose she was looking for a model husband.—*Truth.*

— Mrs Noyes—"Children! children! Can't you get along without making such a terrible racket?"

Nellie Noyes—"No, mamma, we can't. Willie's playing he's papa coming home late at night."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

Newest Mourning Bonnets.

The widow's bonnet in mourning continues to be either the Mary Stuart or the capote, shape simply covered with English crape, having the white ruching in front and with dull black ties. The veil of course hides all but the extreme edge of the bonnet. For lighter mourning, where no veil is worn, the small poke shapes are seen having their edges defined with dull jet and decorated with high loops of dull black ribbon. The silk bonnets, no matter how light the mourning may be, are no longer counted good form. The French milliners are using quantities of dull jet and much silk crape upon crape bonnets, but this rather elaborate style of trimming for mourning is not counted good form by either the English or American milliners. One rule always stands—a mourning bonnet should always have ties of the dull shade of black ribbon.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Women Physicians Wanted.

The Women's Society For the Promotion of the Welfare of the Insane, in New York, is endeavoring to have women members added to the state commission in lunacy and boards of managers of state hospitals, as well as having women physicians appointed to serve in the hospitals.

Dr. Phœbe J. B. Waite and Dr. Amelia Wright of New York city made an argument before the assembly general laws committee.

They advocate a material change in the administration of the state hospitals and propose that the commission shall be increased from three to five members, two of whom shall be women; that there shall be two physicians on the commission, one of whom shall be a woman; two lay members, one of whom shall be a woman, in addition to a member who shall be a practical business man.

A Household Treasure.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6½
Standard		@	6¾
BACON—SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4	@	4
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	6¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	40
Virginia Meal	40	@	40
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 00
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	10	@	17
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	7	@	8
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	18 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 25
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 00
N Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 50
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade	3 75	@	3 00
Choice	3 25	@	3 35
Straight	4 10	@	4 00
First Patent	4 45	@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½@		8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			40
Corn, from store, bags—White,		@	45½
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White		@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White		@	40
Oats, from store	30	@	35½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	40	@	50
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Eastern		@	1 05
Western		@	93
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2	@	2½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel		@	1 35
LUMBER(city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	22
" " in bbls		@	23
Porto Rico, in hhds	25	@	30
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	13	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	15	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	2 20	@	2 25
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	8 00
Rump		@	7 00
Prime		@	7 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	65
Lisbon		@	
Cadiz		@	55
On 100 ℔ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress	3 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu		@	45
Standard A		@	4½
White Ex. C		@	4¼
Ex. C, Golden		@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	4
SOAP, ℔ ℔— Northern	5½	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O, barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O, Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	3
WHISKEY ℔ gallon—Northern	1 10	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 10	@	2 00
WOOL, ℔ ℔—Washed	12	@	14
Unwashed	9	@	10

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, October 10.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 26¼ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 25¾ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 40 per bbl for Strained and $1 45 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1 00 per bbl of 280 ℔s.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Steady. Hard 1.80, Yellow Dip 1 80, and Virgin 1.70 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 25¼@24¾c; rosin, strained, $1 15; good strained $1 20; tar $1 40; crude turpentine 1 10, 1 80, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	80
Rosin	297
Tar	87
Crude Turpentine	10

Receipts same day last year—171 casks spirits turpentine, 668 bbls rosin, 261 bbls tar, 43 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¼c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¾ cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	6¼ " "
Low Middling	7⅝ " "
Middling	7¾ " "
Good Middling	7 9-16 " "

Same day last year, middling 8¼c.

Receipts—3,141 bales; same day last year, 2,829.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 9 to 11½c per pound; Sonlders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 7½c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.35; six inch, $2.50 to 3.50; seven inch; $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, October 10—Evening.—Money on call to-day was quoted 4@5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 8@9 per cent. Sterling exchange was dull; actual business in bankers bills 481¼@481¾ for sixty days and 488¾@484 for demand. Commercial bills 480@481. Government bonds easier; United States coupon fours 106½; United States twos 92¾. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 99¾; North Carolina sixes 118. Railroad bonds weak.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, October 10—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling gull 8 3-16c; middling 7 15-16c.

Cotton futures closed steady at prices: October 7 55, November 7 59, December 7 74, January 7 84, February 7 89, March 7 94 April 7 98, May 8 01, June 8 04. Sales 135,800 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 398 bales; gross 5,674 bales; exports to Great Britain — bales; to France — bales; to the Continent — bales; forwarded 7,558 bales; sales 116 bales; sales to spinners 116 bales; stock (actual) 112,670 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 49,174 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,778 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 9,075 bales; stock 113,670 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 1,868,703 bales; exports to Great Britain 845,919 bales; exports to France 56,157 bales; exports to the Continent 186,819 bales.

Flour—market steady and unchanged; southern flour was dull and steady; common to fair extra $3 20@3 60; good to choice $3 80@3 10. Wheat—spot market dull and firmer; ungraded red 67@69c; No 1 Northern 76¼c; options unchanged; No 2 red May 77¾c; October 73¼c; November 74¼c; December 75¼c. Corn—spot quiet and firmer; No 2 80c at elevator and 81c afloat; options were more active and firm at ¼@⅝c advance; October 80c; November —c. December 31c; May 33¼c. Oats—spot quiet and firmer; options firmer and quiet; October 23c; November —c; December 23c; May —. spot—No. 2 white 35c; mixed Western 20@23c. Lard slow and firm; Western steam $4 62½@4 65; city $4 25. October $4 65, nominal; refined quiet; Continent $4 90. South America $5 25; compound $4 50@4 75. Pork firmer; new mess $7 75@8 50. Butter—fancy was firmer; State dairy 10@16c; do. creamery 11½@18c; Western dairy 7¾@11c; Elgins 18c. Eggs—choice firm; State and Pennsylvania 17@20c; do. per case $3 50@3 60c. Cotton seed oil active and firm; crude 23c; yellow prime 27c. Rice firm and unchanged. Molasses fairly active firm and unchanged. Peanuts quiet, fancy hand-picked 3¼@4c. Coffee was barely steady and 10 to 25 points down; October $9 70; December $9 10@9 25; March $9 10@9 20; May $9 25; July $9 15@9 25, September $9 15@9 25; spot Rio was dull but steady; No. 7, $10 50@10 63½. Sugar—raw quiet and firm; fair refining 3⅝c; centrifugal 96 test —c; refined dull and unchanged.

CHICAGO, October 10.—Cash quotations: Flour dull firm and unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 67¾@69½; No. 2 red 69½@

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The Morning Star.

NEWS.

Passion and suffering and wild despair,
The many dying and the many dead—
How long shall man on such as these be fed!
Rather would I make glad the summer air
With beauty, song, flower growth, the gardener's care,
The buxom breath along the violet bed
Of the sweet winds, the priestly bees that wed
Bloom unto bloom and hone the honey bear,
A golden foe. Must I, because the wire
Lies prone to speed the lightning, spend my days,
Ear down, to gather all men's pain and woe!
Nay, let the heavenly messenger of fire
Tell when the antipodal red roses blow
Or Finland bells sing on the frozen bays!
—James Herbert Morse in Century.

SWEET HOME.

The hot August sunlight beat fiercely down upon the straggling cluster of dingy frame buildings that reared their shabby, pretentious, false fronts in the midst of the parched, quivering prairie. Save for the knot of saddle ponies standing with dejected heads before the door of the single saloon, no sign of life existed. The few buildings scattered along the main street looked unutterably shabby and cheap under that hot, scorching glare.

Things had not been going well at Sweet Home lately. In fact, the boom that had originated and sustained its existence showed unmistakable signs of collapse. The most strenuous efforts of its founder, the most lavish distributions of lurid literature, failed to attract prospective buyers. Seven of the eight columns of The Weekly Ozone had for weeks been devoted to the unparalleled prospects of those owning town lots and the desolate hopelessness of those who did not. A couple of stray tramps, kicked off a passing freight train, were immediately heralded as astute capitalists, eager to grasp at this wealth of opportunity; a passing cyclone that overturned a third of the town was enlarged upon as evidence of the unlimited quantities of pure air.

But it wouldn't go, and William Sweet, Esq., better known as "Windy Bill," was forced to admit, as he sat in his grimy office spitting tobacco juice through the gaping seams in the warped hemlock flooring, that he was near to the end of his rope. All the tried and true dodges of professional town boomers had been used without effect; the obstinate public absolutely refused to invest their money in his town lots.

He glanced at the map of the city hanging on the wall. (It hadn't been paid for, but "Windy Bill" never paid for anything.) The beautifully ruled spaces marked "city hall," "Botanical Gardens," "Public Fountains," etc., were as yet as nature had fashioned them. The city hall was a thriving prairie dog town, the Botanical gardens contained a choice collection of tumble weeds, Russian thistle and wild mustard, while the site of the public fountains was buried under a miscellaneous collection of defunct animals. The little tickets that marked the property sold were so hopelessly few and scattered as to be almost indiscernible.

Mr. Sweet had been in tight places before; in fact, a considerable portion of his past had been spent dodging those inquisitive individuals called deputy sheriffs. Now, however, when his credit at the Blue Goose was attacked, the situation was, indeed, desperate. A man might rub along without meat, but without drink, never.

Suddenly an idea developed in his racked brain. Grasping a pen and blowing a cloud of alkali dust from a solid sheet of paper, he traced with grimy, perspiring hands the following lines:

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WILLIAM SWEET, Esq.,
Mayor and Counselor at Law, Sweet Home, K. D.

"That'll fetch 'em or I'm a sucker," he chuckled, as he eyed the sheet approvingly and proceeded to make a number of copies, which, after folding, he addressed to a number of prominent eastern newspapers. Then, with a grin of satisfaction, he drifted over to the Blue Goose.

The arrival of two letters ten days later marked a nibbler at the bait. The first was a large, square envelope, deeply bordered with black. It inclosed, written in a fine hand, the following lines:

NEW YORK CITY, Aug. 21, 189—.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—My weary eyes were attracted to your advertisement in The Daily ——. Verily, it were like the balm of Gilead to my broken spirit—yea, as the waters of Siloam unto the weary traveler. Compassed about with worldly dissensions and strife, largely stimulated and encouraged by the wrongs I took to my bosom, who not only possesses a vixenish temper, but also commends the ungodly behavior of the sons of Belial, it behooves one to seek the mental and spiritual relief your worthy laws afford distressed souls. I trust to be with you in body as in spirit within a fortnight. Your distressed friend,

REV. MELCHISEDEC BELLWETHER.

"Well, of all the sharps I ever seed, this yere galoot lays 'em all out," snorted Mr. Sweet, as he folded the letter. "Lays it to the woman, o' course. They all do. I reckon them sons o' Belial's is pretty gay boys. Some o' these town fellows is dead game."

He opened the next letter—a dainty, perfumed affair. Written at impossible angles in a bewilderingly angular style was the following:

BROOKLYN, Aug. 21, 189—.

MY DEAR MR. SWEET—I saw your nice advertisement in The Daily ——, and my heart was instantly drawn toward your delightful city. I have been perfectly wild to see the lovely prairies and the magnificent sunsets of your beautiful country. My dearest friends have often been shocked at my adventurous spirit and are horrified when I suggest the bare possibility.

By the way, I have a secret. My husband is a perfect villain. Volumes could be filled with his perfidy and brutality. I am of a meek, forgiving nature and have long withstood the loads of tyranny and abuse he has heaped upon me. But the worm has turned. I am determined to secure my freedom from the wretch who not only abuses me, but several of my gentleman friends, whenever the opportunity occurs.

You may look for me in about two weeks. I am sure I shall be delighted with my surroundings, including yourself. I can imagine how you look—tall, dark eyed, with flowing shirt collar and wide sombrero, just like one of Mr. Remington's cowboys. Faithfully yours,

EVELYN FAIRFAX DE SMYTHE.

P. S.—For obvious reasons I have not given my married name, which is Boggs.
P. S.—I shall bring six trunks and a maid.
P. P. S.—I shall want a nice lawyer.

The Hon. Mr. Sweet looked at the ceiling in a bewildered way.

"Well, I'll be teetotally chawed up an spit out," he ejaculated. "Beautiful surroundings. Dark eyes an flowin shirt collar. Bust me!"

He glanced at his reflection in the dusty little mirror that was tilted against the wall. From the scanty growth of ginger colored hair on the top of his head to the gaping toes of his condemned government shoes he was a perfect specimen of frayed out, washed out humanity. The only break in his hopeless, colorless shabbiness was in the vivid hue that adorned his ample nose.

"I've made the bluff an have got to stay," he continued. "I'll step over an tell the boys. We've got to see this thing through. Dark eyes. Flowin shirt! I'll be teetotally"— and he drifted out.

At the Blue Goose the news was received with every expression of interest and delight, as would anything savoring of excitement be, where the noble game had degenerated to a two bit limit, and jawbone at that.

"We can stand off the gospel sharp all right," said Three Fingered Jack cautiously, "but I'm plum leary o' the woman. They're our'n critters."

"Oh, they're easy bluffed," said Lovely Dick, the dealer, who was credited with as many wives as he was aliases. "Anyhow, what do they care? They're hot foot after their divorce papers, an will put up with anything to marry the other feller. Don't let the wimmin faze you. They're all right."

The prospect of development in this new industry had an immediate effect on the real estate market. Prices stiffened with an upward tendency, negotiations were at once opened up with Mrs. O'Reagan, proprietress of the Palace hotel, upon which, for the consideration of seven lots in Sweet's second addition, she agreed to furnish three rooms in her hostelry.

The excited, expectant residents were not disappointed. The train from the east one evening brought a stranger into town. Identification was unnecessary. Everybody knew the meek looking, smug faced gentleman neatly dressed in black and wearing an air of becoming modesty was the expected divine. The Hon. Mr. Sweet, who had invested in a "biled shirt" and a shave, did the honors as became the mayor. Rev. Mr. Bellwether responded in a few words, in which suspicions of past domestic misery were happily blended with anticipation of future felicity in the companionship of his new found friends. Overcome with the dignified elegance of the stranger, Three Fingered Jack insisted on inviting him to drink, but was prevented by cooler heads.

Gratifying as was the first reception in this incipient divorce colony, it paled into insignificance when on the following evening, amid the obsequious attentions of officials and the thunder of banging trunks, a lady daintily stepped from the Pullman, followed by a maid carrying two dogs and leading a third. This vision of stylish elegance completely unnerved Mr. Sweet. All his priming flashed in the pan, and he felt, as he afterward expressed, "like a locoed steer." The big hazel eyes of the fair stranger looked roguishly on at his awkward attempts at introduction. Suddenly stepping forward, she held out the most beautiful hand the mayor had ever seen.

"It's Mr. Sweet, I know," she sweetly said. "Charmed to meet you. And this is Sweet Home; what a funny little place! I shall be happy here, I know."

The big eyes rested a moment on his flushed face; then, turning to the motley group assembled, she said:

"I suppose you gentlemen are my future fellow citizens. Please don't take me for an intruder. I am only a poor, weak woman with no one to care for me."

That settled it. From that hour each and all were her devoted admirers. She followed the mayor over to the Palace hotel, while the Rev. Mr. Bellwether looked on with an expression of placid benevolence on his smug face.

Following the new arrivals, an era of social gayety such as had never been dreamed of came to the forlorn little town. In her fascinating, impetuous manner Mrs. De Smythe, as she preferred being called, took a marked interest in their daily lives. She discussed real estate with Mr. Sweet, rode with Three Fingered Jack, and talked regeneration of souls with Mr. Bellwether. Her dainty personality was as a ray of sunshine in the dull, cramped lives of her admirers. A marked improvement in manners, dress and speech was soon manifested. The Blue Goose languished. The consumption of barbed wire whisky at two bits the drink was supplanted by the cultivation of the finer instincts.

Nor was the Rev. Melchisedec Bellwether backward in suggesting the means of furthering the general prosperity. In his mild, benevolent manner he explained to the mayor that the city was suffering from a lack of a circulating medium. In his humble way he had some knowledge of financial methods, and suggested a plan to relieve the stringency. In the business world, the transfer of goods and properties were not always accomplished with the actual cash. Notes of hand or promissory notes figured largely and facilitated business. In fact, he had used them occasionally himself with gratifying results.

This remarkably simple plan was at once adopted, and its success was such as the most sanguine enthusiast could not have dreamed of. Town lots were bought and sold with incredible rapidity. Lots, blocks, additions, changed hands with the agility of shuttlecocks. Windy Bill was buried under the shower of promissory notes that daily rained upon him. The Ozone published column after column of transfers, the sum total of which made the neighboring towns of Pig's Eye and Yellow Dog turn green with envy—a state of mind further aggravated when the same enterprising journal boastingly published a society column, with mysterious hints of a Four Hundred.

The necessary six months drew only too suddenly to a close. Poor Bill; his wealth and prosperity had evidently come at last, but did not bring the happiness he had anticipated. The beautiful eyes of Mrs. De Smythe haunted his sleepless nights and gazed from behind his sheaves of promissory notes. The regret and sorrow over her departure were general, and the lady herself was desolate. Nothing but important family affairs could induce her to go, and Bill was cheered at the delicate hint of an early return.

She only requested one favor: Would Mr. Sweet lend her that beautiful map? She wanted a copy made, as a souvenir of the happy days. It is needless to say that it was immediately placed in her hand.

The Rev. Mr. Bellwether called him to one side and still further expounded the mysteries of finance. He suggested that now, as values were fixed, it would be well to place the lots on the outside market. Capitalists would eagerly grasp at property that proved itself subject to such rapid and violent advances. If Mr. Sweet would intrust to his care the deed of the town site, as evidence of secure title, he would call the attention of his wealthy friends to the same.

Bill was overwhelmed with this kind offer. The deed of the 160 acres secured from a drunken old soldier (and never paid for) was quickly transferred to the ministerial grip. Visions of increased wealth and power danced before the founder's eyes—visions in which the central figures were the starry eyes of Evelyn De Smythe.

A hurried trip to the adjoining country town, and, with the documents severing all previous matrimonial contracts safely in their possession, the strangers went their way. Little by little the squalid little town drifted back into the old ways. The wretched buildings grew a little more shabby and desolate. The sheriff came and carried away the paraphernalia of The Weekly Ozone. The editor followed, concealed among the wheels of the first freight train. Bill wandered about in a fever of discontent, daily growing more morose and shabby.

The long savage winter was drawing to a close, and the gray April twilight was settling over the shabby cluster of buildings, when one evening a brisk little man stepped from the train, and with a disapproving look at the forlorn aspect, stepped quickly over to Bill's office.

"I'm Mr. Skinum of the prominent legal firm of Holdom & Skinum," he said as he bustled in with an important air. "Our clients, Messrs. Bond & Chattels, the St. Louis real estate people, have instructed us to take formal possession of the property."

"Property?" said Bill, with a bewildered air. "What property?"

"Why, the town site of Sweet Home—this town," replied Mr. Skinum.

"This town?" repeated Bill blankly.

"Why, certainly. They purchased it from the Rev. Mr. Bellwether some weeks ago. We have examined the title and find it O. K. It is already recorded. Here is the abstract." And the lawyer drew a legal document from his pocket.

Bill was in a dream. He could not understand.

"I'm rather inclined to believe that the reverend gentleman is a shark," continued Mr. Skinum. "He has evidently misrepresented this property. It's the dashed'est dismal looking outlook as an investment that I ever saw." But on the strength of his statement, backed up with his wife, who exhibited the original survey map, our clients were induced to buy the town site for $50,000 cash."

As the truth dawned upon him, Bill opened his mouth to speak, but words failed him.

"I am instructed to pay a fair price for the improvements put up by bona fide residents," continued the lawyer. "I take it, this is your building; $20 is an outside figure on its value, but on account of the short notice I am willing to pay it. Oblige me with a receipt and kindly vacate as quickly as possible." He laid a bill upon the table and waited while the unfortunate Bill mechanically wrote a receipt. He was like one hypnotized; to save his life he could not collect his senses or find the means to stay the flood of misfortune that overwhelmed him. Fumbling his old slouch hat, he passed out the door and walked up the dusty trail leading over the divide.

Reaching the top, he halted. Casting his eyes backward, he could discern the few flickering lights that marked the location of the little kingdom where an hour before he had reigned supreme. The situation slowly dawned upon him; he was henceforth an Ishmaelite, a homeless wanderer. A torrent of wrath rose up within him. Casting his old hat violently to the ground, and expectorating the tobacco from his mouth, he sat down on a loose bowlder and gave vent to the fierce, hot anger that shook his frame:

"I'll be teetotally d——d!"—William Thompson Dantz in Philadelphia Times.

Ruskin's Handwriting.

The Strand Magazine prints some facsimiles of the handwriting of John Ruskin, including extracts from letters illustrated with offhand sketches. The handwriting may not show spontaneity, generosity and all the other traits which the expert analyst claims to find, but it is certainly characteristic and expressive. Possibly it is to be attributed to the artistic and expressive. Possibly it is to be attributed to the artistic temperament that varies so much from time to time, sometimes being beautifully distinct and again barely legible. A remarkable specimen is taken from a letter written at the age of 9, inscribed with minute care, and in stiff but not ungraceful outlines, some of the capitals and figures being drawn with studied ornamentation.—Springfield Republican.

How Chinamen Live.

"I had an illuminating talk with our Chinese laundryman around the corner," contributes a woman, "and it was an object lesson in industry and economy. He works, he told me, 20 hours out of the 24 all the days of the week except Sunday, and on three of them he does not go to bed at all. He earns $20 a week, $5 of which goes for rent and $5 as lease money to the Chinaman who controls his laundry district. He lives on $2 a week and lays by the other $8. His diet is tea and rice. He is striving for $8,000, of which sum he has now more than half. When he has the full amount, he will go back to China and live in ease and comfort the rest of his days. He wants three wives, and one costs $150, but the investment will be a good one, for they can support not only themselves, but him as well, and his superfluous money can be a generous reserve for emergencies."—New York Times.

Ways of Carrying a Pencil.

There are various ways of carrying a pencil besides carrying it in the pocket. A man in a counting room may carry his pencil behind his ear; a saleswoman in a store sometimes thrusts a pencil into her back hair; an expressman carries his pencil with the pointed end pushed up under the edge of his cap, where it is easy to get at and not likely to be dislodged in jumping on and off the wagon.—New York Sun.

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No. 52	No. 54		No. 51	No. 53
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
9 00	5 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv...Surry street...Ar	10 30	3 25
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville...Lv		12 05
11 00	6 50	Lv...“...Ar	10 45	10 35
11 30	6 30	Lv...Mayerille...Lv	10 00	9 10
12 50	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	8 50	8 10
1 30	5 3	Ar...Newbern...Lv	8 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT Sept. 17, 1895.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.30 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.05 a m, Warsaw 11.14 a m, Goldsboro 12.05 a m, Wilson 12.50 p m, Rocky Mount 1.35 p m, Tarboro 2.40 p m, Weldon 3.30 p m, Petersburg 5.30 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 8.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.58 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 8.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 p m, Warsaw 8.43 p m, Goldsboro 9.35 p m, Wilson 10.25 p m, †Tarboro 7.05 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 p m, Weldon 1.01 a m, †Norfolk 10.40 a m, Petersburg 3.35 a m, Richmond 5.40 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 8.35 a m, Philadelphia 10.45 a m, New York 1.33 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 39—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.35 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.55 a m, Tarboro 12.13 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 3.15 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.08 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.00 a m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 3.25 p m, Washington 5.45 p m, Richmond 7.20 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 9.20 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 5.55 p m, Rocky Mount 6.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.15 a m, Goldsboro 7.05 a m, Warsaw 7.51 a m, Magnolia 8.00 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 a m — No. 84—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.00 a m, Sanford 1.55 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 4.55 a m, Columbia 6.45 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.17 p m, Sumter 7.10 a m, Florence 8.50 a m, Marion 9.31 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.05 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 2.55 p m, Halifax 4.15 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 p m, Greenville 6.47 p m, Kinston 7 45 p m, returning, leaves Kinston 7 30 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00 a m, Weldon 11.30 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 5.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 6 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.50 a m and 6 20 p m, arrives Washington 11 55 a m and 7.10 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.32 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.35 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.40 a m. Arrive Tarboro 9.45 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5 00 a m; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 7.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, 2 50 p m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9 15 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.00 p m, Spring Hope 5.35 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 8.45 p m; returning leave Clinton at 8.00 p m, and 11.30 a m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 05 a. m. arrive Latta 9.34 a m, Dillon 9 36 a m, Rowland 9 52 a m., returning leaves Rowland 6 06 p m, arrives Dillon 6.35 p m, Latta 6.37 p m, Pee Dee 6.50 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 12.55 p m, leave Conway 2 30 p m, Chadbourn 5.35 p m, arrive Hub 6.30 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8 55 a m, 9 40 a m and 7 45 p m, arrive Darlington 9 05 a m, 10 10 a m and 8 15 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 20 p m, leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 2 25 p m, Returning leave Wadesboro 3 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 50 p m, leave Cheraw 4 50 p m and 5 20 p m, arrive Darlington 7 p m and 6 27 p m. Leave Darlington 7 30 p m, 6 00 and 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 p m, 7 p m and 8 15 a m. Daily except Sunday. Sunday trains leave Floyds 7 00 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Returning leave Florence 9 a m, Darlington 9 35 a m, arrive Floyds 9 40 a m. Trains leave Gibson 6.15 p m, Bennettsville 6 41 p m, arrive Darlington 7.40 p m. Returning leave Darlington 8 05 p m, arrive Bennettsville 9 09 p m, Gibson 9 35 p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 06 p m, Manning 6.35 p m, arrive Lane's 7 12 p m, leave Lanes 8.34 p m, Manning 9.10 a m, arrive Sumter 10 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7 10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 4 p m, arrive Lanes 8.36 a m, 5.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 3.10 p m, 11.18 p m, arrive Selma 3.53 p m, Smithfield 5.08 p m, Dunn 5.50 p m, Fayetteville 6.36 p m, 1.07 a m, Rowland 6.06 p m, returning leave Rowland 9.53 a m, Fayetteville 11.10 a m, 9.40 p m, Dunn 11.49 a m, Smithfield 12.27 p m, Selma 12.54 p m, arrive Wilson 1.30 p m, 11.35 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 25 a m, Creston 5 31 a m, arrive Denmark 6 30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 17 p m, Creston 5 16 p m, Sumter 6 05 p m Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m; arrives Creston 3 30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.15 p m, arrive Lydeard 1 p m and 9.15 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6 05 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Elliot 8.35 a m and 3.30 p m.

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Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST.		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
2 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.			4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday.	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 25	.....
.....	6 12	Kinston	10 30	.....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 30
6 37	6 42	Morehead City...	8 01	8 17
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 25 a m, and with Southern Railway train 37 for Raleigh, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p m, and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 2 00 p m, and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points. S. L. DILL, Sup't.
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IN EFFECT AUGUST 23, 1896.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY
No. 1.		No. 2.
7 55 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 35 a. m.
4 45 “	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	10 45 “
4 35 “	Ar “ Fayetteville...Lv	11 05 “
4 30 “	Ar Fayetteville June Lv	11 15 “
2 19 “	Lv...Sanford

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, OCT. 11, 1896

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Visible Supply of Cotton—Crop in Sight—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 10—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 2,383,909 bales, of which 2,105,009 bales are American, against 2,661,574 and 2,405,874 bales, respectively, last year.

Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns were 253,094 bales: receipts from the plantations, 378,245 bales; crop in sight, 1,798 576 bales.

The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged. Middling uplands 7 15-16c. Liverpool was unchanged on the spot. Futures there opened barely steady at two points advance, but reacted and closed easy, with prices unchanged to one-half point lower. The exports from the ports were 8,188 bales. The *Chronicle* states that the weather the past week has been favorable generally for gathering the crop and that in consequence picking has made rapid progress; that the temperature has been satisfactory as a rule and that advices from Texas denote that the top crop has been benefitted. Future prices here to day opened unchanged to six points lower, recovered the loss and advanced on some months four to nine points, but subsequently reacted and closed steady at a net decline of one to five points, with sales of 125,000 bales. The Liverpool news was disappointing and at the opening prices here were easier. Liverpool reacted, after an opening advance, on the fear of a bearish Neill estimate and the expectation of a bureau report stating the condition at 69 or 70 per cent. However, when the report was received at 11 o'clock it gave the condition at 60.7 per cent., a decline within a month of 3.5 per cent. The condition a month ago was 64.2 and a year ago it was 85.1. This is the lowest October condition ever reported by the bureau. But the report practically fell flat. The report induced some buying and prices rallied and advanced slightly, but the buying power was soon exhausted and prices reacted again and slowly declined. Interest is to be seen how Liverpool will interpret the report. The crop movement continues large, and the estimate for New Orleans on Monday was heavy. Frosts were predicted for the Indian Territory and Oklahoma.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Firm and Higher—Corn and Oats Advanced in Price—Pork Products Closed Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—The holiday intervening between sessions of the Board of Trade caused no apparent abatement of the bull ardor in wheat. December wheat opened from 68¾@68¾c, advanced to 69¾c, closing at 69c bid. Cash wheat was firm, closing ¼c higher.

Corn—Corn made a good advance in price and not all of it could be credited to wheat, the appreciating movement being at times quite independent of the immediate environments. May corn opened at 36¾c, advanced to 37¼c, closing at 37¼c—¾@1c higher than Thursday. Cash corn was firm and ½c higher.

Oats—Rose on the strength communicated by corn. May oats closed ¼c higher than Thursday. Cash oats were steady in tone—[illegible] price.

Provisions seemed to derive strength from the grain markets; certainly there was none in the condition of the hog trade at the yards, prices at that place being 5@10c lower. There was considerable short product covered, the strength being immediately due to that character of buying. January pork closed 83¾c higher; January lard 7½@10c higher; January ribs 12½@16c higher.

THE COTTON CROP.

Report of Its Condition as Shown by the Department of Agriculture.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, October 10.—The returns to the statistical division of the Department of Agriculture of October, make cotton show a decline of 3.5 points from the September condition which was 64.2 per cent. against 60.7 for the present month. The percentages by States are as follows: Virginia 58; North Carolina 64; South Carolina 77; Georgia 67; Florida 66; Alabama 61; Mississippi 60; Louisiana 61; Texas 57; Arkansas 55, Tennessee 69; Missouri 79.

The department's report as to the condition last month is fully sustained by the returns for the present month. In all the States east of the Mississippi river little or no top crop will be made, and the crop will be gathered by the middle of the month. Damage is reported from Mississippi by frost on the 28th and 29th of last month. Caterpillars and rust are complained of in the sea island district of Florida; slight improvement has been made in some few Louisiana and Arkansas counties, but the crop will be gathered before the close of the month. There has been general deterioration also in Texas; in some sections the crop has been injured by worms, rust, frosts and heavy rains the last of September. There will be a very small yield from the top crop, and the reports say the crop will all be gathered by November 1st.

FIRE AT MURFREESBORO.

An Entire Block Burned—Loss $40,000, With Small Insurance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., October 10.—A special to the *Virginian* from Murfreesboro, N. C., states that a fire, which originated in a kitchen, swept away an entire block in that town to-day. Among the buildings burned was the Episcopal Church and E. P. Rice's grocery, the latter quite an extensive establishment. The total loss is estimated at about $40,000; insurance very slight.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 10.—Spirits turpentine scarce and firmer at 29@29½c. Rosin firmer; strained common to good $1 77½@1 80.

SAVANNAH, October 10.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26¼c; sales 600 casks; receipts 603 casks. Rosin firm; sales 4,000 barrels; receipts 2,716 barrels. A, B, C, D, E $1 50, F $1 52½, G $1 55, H, I $1 60 K $1 65, M $2 05, W G $2 15, W W $2 35.

CHARLESTON, October 10.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 26½c; sales — bales. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; prices: A, B $1 30@1 35, C, D $1 35, E F $1 40@1 45, G $1 45@1 50, H $1 50@1 55, I $1 55@1 60, K $1 55@1 60, M $1 60@1 65, N $1 80@1 85, W G $1 95@2 00, W W $2 15@2 20.

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Expectant Crowds at Every Station—Enthusiastic Greetings—Speeches to Great Gatherings of People Along the Route.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FARGO, N. D., Oct. 10.—Everything went awry with W. J. Bryan last night. In the first place it was after 1 o'clock when he reached Aberdeen, S. D., three hours late. His expectant audience had been held for all that time by word from Mr. Bryan that he would speak when he got there, and the candidate found not only one, but three gatherings to hear him. As a consequence he delivered three speeches at that early hour in the morning, making each exceedingly brief. It was 2 o'clock when Mr. Bryan retired to his special car and to bed, but hardly had he entered the car when he was awakened in order that the information might be communicated to him that there was no switch for the transfer of his car to the tracks of the Great Northern road and if he wanted to keep his engagement in Fargo this morning it would be necessary to take the special train of the Fargo Reception Committee then in waiting. So the weary candidate redressed and transferred his belongings there, cutting the air of the morning in order to keep his appointments. The candidate obliged with a speech a crowd of several hundred which had gathered about the depot of a small station when the train stopped for water. He arrived here at 9 o'clock and was taken to the Hotel Metropole, where he breakfasted and was then driven to the base ball park and addressed a large crowd.

Enthusiastic people greeted Mr. Bryan at the Park. On the platform was Bud Reeve, who made an independent campaign for Congress two years ago. At that time he travelled through North Dakota on horseback, taking with him a collie dog and a big eagle, and announced that he was hunting for the Democratic party. He had the eagle along to-day, and when it stepped out on the platform from its tin cage Mr. Bryan bowed profoundly, and the crowd cheered.

Mr. Bryan devoted himself to a discussion of the money question, largely on the lines previously taken by him in his speeches. In conclusion Mr. Bryan said: "Without a financial policy of our own it is impossible to have any knowledge of a policy of our own. They say we cannot maintain the parity because Mexico has failed to do so. (Cheers.) Is there anybody here who thinks that Mexico is as great a nation as the United States? (Cries of 'No! No.') If there is, he ought to vote the Republican ticket. He cannot find a congenial home anywhere else except among the gold bugs. (Cheers.)

"Why, my friends, this nation has ten times the population of Mexico, and in its commercial strength the difference is far greater. Even if you insist that this nation is no greater than Mexico, might it not be possible that the United States and Mexico together can do what Mexico could not do alone? (Applause.)

"You tell us that we will approach the standard of Mexico if we have free coinage. There are other nations which have not free coinage; take Turkey for instance. Will we approach the standard of Turkey if we maintain the gold standard? (Cheers.)

"See what the gold standard has done for Turkey. If I should choose between Mexico and Turkey as a future home, I would far rather go to Mexico and live there forever than go to Turkey and enjoy gold."

At 11 a. m. he left for St. Paul, accompanied by members of the St. Paul reception committee.

MORRIS, MINN., Oct. 10.—Mr. Bryan made his initial speech in Minnesota at Breakinridge, the first stop after leaving Fargo. It was reached at 12.20 p. m. and a stop of five minutes was made. Mr. Bryan talked to a good sized crowd there about the necessity of every advocate of free coinage casting his ballot. As he concluded, a man in the audience asked, "Can't you give us a word about the plank in your platform that condemns the President for enforcing the law?"

"Our platform does not complain of any enforcement of the law and man is afraid of my election because he is afraid I will not enforce the law," answered Mr. Bryan. "What that they are afraid of is that I will enforce the law against the big violators of the law."

At stations all along the line of Mr. Bryan's route through Minnesota large crowds, mostly farming people, greeted the candidate. In nearly every gathering the Scandinavian type was noticeable. At Morris and Litchfield the receptions given the nominee were particularly enthusiastic, several thousand people being at each place. Stops were also made at Benson, Wilmar, Delano and Waverly. Mr. Bryan spoke in the rain at the last named placed from a stand crowded with little girls who waved American flags and cheered for Bryan with a will. A banner borne by a man in the crowd there contained the words, "Our sons will answer November 3."

Brass bands were out at several places and anvil salutes also were fired. Although Mr. Bryan was not scheduled to speak at Indianapolis, a couple of thousand people waited at the train station there and cheered like mad men when they saw the candidate. They rushed along the track after the train and demanded a speech when the train came to a standstill. Mr. Bryan told them that he would speak in Minneapolis on Monday night, and could not talk to them. There was wild cheering as the train drew out for St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, October 10.—Four fairly long speeches constituted William J. Bryan's tribute to-night to the fight for free silver that is being waged in Minnesota. After a number of brief talks to people at many stations along the line of the Great Northern Railroad between Fargo and St. Paul, he reached here this evening at 6.30 o'clock, accompanied by members of the State and local escort committees and was taken to the Hotel Ryan. A delegation of old soldiers from Minneapolis and this city met and cheered him there. At 8 o'clock Mr. Bryan, Ignatous Donnelly and other speakers, Democratic and Populistic were escorted to the auditorium, a large structure capable of holding about seven thousand people, seated and standing. It was crowded to the doors, and the candidate received a flattering reception, cheer after cheer being given on his appearance. Mr. Bryan made his most important speech of the evening there. His audience did not warm up to his remarks at first, dispite the greeting it had given him, but toward the conclusion of his address the enthusiasm became rampant.

His next speech was at the West Side Opera House, where another congregation equally enthusiastic and quite as uncomfortably packed as that at the Auditorium had been waiting some time for his appearance. Then he went to Market Hall and spoke briefly.

It began to rain hard while Mr. Bryan was addressing the enthusiastic crowd in Market Hall and the open air meeting at Rice's Park, the last on the programme was abandoned. Mr. Bryan returned to the Hotel Ryan at 11 o'clock and went to bed.

That Joyful Feeling

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LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

A LONG CONFERENCE ON THE VENEZUELAN QUESTION.

Earl Russell Causes the Arrest of His Mother-in-Law on a Charge of Criminal Libel—Turkish Jails Crowded With Armenian Prisoners.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, October 10.—Lord Salisbury, Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Julian Pauncefote held a long conference at the Foreign Office this afternoon. It is understood that the Venezuelan question was the matter under discussion. It is stated that important results may be the outcome.

LONDON, October 10.—Earl Russell yesterday afternoon obtained a warrant for the arrest of his mother-in-law, Lady Tina Scott, upon a charge of criminal libel and the lady was arrested last evening at a hotel in the Strand and spent the night in a cell at the Bow street police station. Lady Scott was arraigned in the Bow street police court this morning. The court room was crowded. Earl Russell was present as his mother-in-law's accuser.

The case is a sequel to the difficulties which have existed between Earl Russell and his wife for several years. The couple were divorced and the decree of separation was followed by an unsuccessful action brought by Lady Russell for the restoration of her marital rights. Subsequently Lady Russell was sued for libel by Sir Roberts, master of Bath College, the suit growing out of the scandal attached to the divorce proceedings brought against her husband by Lady Russell, which resulted in a verdict in favor of Roberts, awarding him £8,000 damages. Lady Scott was remanded for a further hearing, but was admitted to bail in the sum of £3,000 sterling, two sureties furnishing £500 each and Lady Scott herself furnishing £1,000.

CONSTANTINOPLE, October 10.—The jails are so crowded with Armenian prisoners that it seems impossible for them to hold any more. The special tribunal organized for the purpose of trying the Armenians is wholly inadequate to the disposition of the cases and a second court will be organized to expedite matters. The charges against the Armenian prisoners who are packed in the jails are absolutely lacking in the elements of justice.

SEABOARD AIR LINE

President Hoffman Makes a Statement Concerning Negotiations for a Controlling Interest in the Properties.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, October 10.—Mr. R. Curzon Hoffman, President of the S. A. L. Railroad, returned from a Southern trip to-day. To a Southern Associated Press reporter he made the following statement regarding the status of the negotiations for the controlling interest in the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad, which is the parent company of the Seaboard Air Line system:

"I am operating the Seaboard Air Line in the interest of its stockholders. Warned of coming trouble a number of large owners have pooled our shares in the hands of a committee in whose ability and integrity I have absolute confidence. That committee is in control of the situation, and I advise all stockholders to sign the pooling agreement without hesitation or delay, as it ensures fair treatment to all signers alike. Beyond this, I have nothing to say, except that I have given four years of unceasing care to the property at great cost to myself, and have received for my service $10,000 salary per annum, and not $37,000, as has been reported."

Mr. Hoffman's admission that the situation is in control of the pooling committee is regarded as significant. This is believed to mean that the New York syndicates will have to secure control through the committee Mr. Hoffman refers to.

Gen. Gill, however, is still receiving options and reports that stockholders are signing his agreement daily.

COLUMBIA, S. C., October 10.—In accordance with the constitutional provision prohibiting one road from purchasing within the limits of the State of South Carolina a parallel line, the Attorney General of the State has written Messrs. Ryan & Thomas requesting them to furnish the State Railroad Commission with evidence that in the purchase of the Port Royal road they are not acting for the Southern Railway.

CUBAN WAR NEWS.

Spanish Reports of Engagements with Insurgents.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, October 10.—The forces of Gen. Toral, acting in conjunction with those of Major Lanzagorta, have had a fearful engagement with 500 rebels at Villalon, Province of Santiago De Cuba. According to the official reports the troops captured the rebel's positions, which the latter strongly defended from behind stone walls and from a stone fort on the Comnache hills. The troops then advanced and captured the rebel camps. Twenty insurgents were found dead on the field. Many wounded were carried away by the rebels on their retreat. The Spanish loss was two lieutenants and a corporal killed and twelve wounded. Two captains, a lieutenant and eight privates received contusions.

Rebels attacked the Mancas detachment, stationed on the central trocha, but were repulsed. The troops lost one killed and five wounded.

Three bombs were exploded to-day under a train near Nawjas, province of Matanzas. Two cars were derailed and a soldier was wounded. The Government has temporarily closed the Puerto Principe Institute.

YALE'S APOLOGY

For the Treatment Accorded Hon. Wm. J. Bryan on His Visit to New Haven.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., October 10.—A Bryan and Sewall club was formed at Yale to-night with an attendance of nearly 100. Gerald Hughes, of Denver, Col., is president. The following was passed:

WHEREAS, At the recent visit of Mr. Bryan to New Haven certain members of Yale University did thoughtlessly and unfortunately interfere with the proceedings, and, whereas, such action has unjustly been imputed by the press to the Yale student body as a whole; be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Bryan and Sewall Club of Yale University, do hereby declare this action untrue to the sentiments of our University and hostile to the spirit of broad-mindedness that has always characterized Yale men and that we tender Mr. Bryan our sincerest apology for this action of our fellow students.

Robert Morman, of Newberry, S. C., who two years ago ran as a Republican against Latimer for Congress, and was recently named as Presidential elector by the Webster faction, shot and killed himself accidentally to-day.

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THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

As Shown By the Statement of the Clearing House Banks of New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, October 10.—The statement of the Clearing House banks of New York for the week ending October 10 reflects the operations of an active week. Despite the fact that the shipments of currency to the interior for the past seven days exceeded $4,000,000. The bank report no loss of cash; in fact, there was an actual gain of $111,000, the increase in specie counteracting the loss of $3,688,900 in legal tenders. As the imports of gold during the period covered were about equal to interior shipments, the small change in cash reserve does not appear at all illogical.

Loans showed an unusual expansion of $3,327,300, which is a favorable indication, although the increase is probably due to further preparations now pending for increased gold imports. Aside from this, however, there have been a number of local causes for loan expansions. The favorable feature of the statement is an increase of $ 751,700 in deposits, the total now reaching $468,494,800, or nearly $9,000,000 in excess of loans. The increased deposits called for an additional reserve liability, and the banks report $926 825 less surplus cash than at the close of the previous week. The excess reserve is still $15,599,900, which is larger than for the corresponding week last year by over $1,000,000.

The operations of the week, including, as they did, a temporary rise in the local money market, due as much as anything else to the demand for cash from the West and South, together with the rapid falling in sterling exchange, which is announced and closely considered with this demand, presage a continuance of gold imports from Europe. The trade balances are largely in our favor, and must continue so for some time to come. It is only natural, under these conditions, that the funds drawn from New York should be replaced by remittances from abroad, and conservative bankers would not be surprised if this second movement exceeded expectations. The week's engagements of gold are in excess of $6,000,000, and unless unforeseen circumstances prevent the total will probably be doubled soon. This is exclusive of prospective results depending on the outcome of the election next month. Of course, an advance in foreign money centers might check a continuance of these imports.

FOR BRYAN AND FREE SILVER.

Ex-Gov. Smith, of Alabama, for Many Years a Staunch Republican.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., October 10.—Ex-Gov. W. H. Smith, for many years a staunch and uncompromising Republican, has taken the stump for Bryan and Sewell. In a speech at his old home in Wedowee, Randolph county, he said that he is too old to mislead his old friends, if he so desired, and in his opinion the election of Mr. McKinley would be the greatest calamity that could befall this country at this time. Ex-Gov. Smith belongs to that class of Republicans who are honored and respected by members of all parties in Alabama, and his coming out so boldly for Bryan and Sewall has had a tendency to demoralize the bitter element of the Republican party throughout the State. He had one son on the Republican-Populist ticket for Attorney General in the recent election, and another ran on the same ticket for State Senator from Jefferson county, both of whom are supporters of McKinley.

GOLD BUG DEMOCRATS.

Chairman Bynum Says the Palmer and Buckner Ticket Will Not be Withdrawn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, October 10.—Chairman Bynum last evening issued the following statement:

"The reported intention to withdraw the Palmer and Buckner ticket before the election has no foundation whatever. The men who composed the Indianapolis Convention were sincere and in earnest. They believed that the nomination of candidates was necessary to prevent the destruction of the Democratic party and they have never for a moment contemplated an abandonment of their principles."

This letter from Chairman Bynum was called out by the story that emanated in Grand Rapids, Mich., to the effect that Gen. Palmer and Gen. Buckner would withdraw before election day. Generals Palmer and Buckner started out upon their tour of Michigan and the South last night.

TROUBLE IN MISSISSIPPI.

Negroes in Carrollton Plotting a War of Extermination Against the Whites—The Situation Critical.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GRENADA, MISS., October 10.—The white people of Carroll county are terribly excited over the discovery of a negro plot to inaugurate a war of extermination. Word from Carrollton is that a letter was found on the road addressed to a negro, which exposed the diabolical plot. A secret society of negroes had negotiated with the Winchester Arms Company for a large number of rifles, and with these they proposed to slaughter white men, women and children. Several of the leaders have been arrested and the excitement is very intense. Further particulars are anxiously awaited. Carrollton is the home of Senator Money. A number of negroes were killed in a riot there a few years ago and bad blood still exists. There is no doubt that the situation is now critical.

FUSION IN WEST VIRGINIA.

The Populist State Ticket Will Be Withdrawn and the Democratic State Ticket Substituted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., October 10.—U. A. Ohley, Secretary of the Democratic State committee, is authority for the statement that the negotiations between the Populists and the Democrats have been entirely satisfactory from his standpoint, and that the Populist State ticket will be withdrawn and the Democratic ticket substituted. The Populist State committee has in its hands the resignations of almost every candidate on their ticket, which will be used when the proper moment arrives.

FUSION IN ARKANSAS.

Democrats and Populists Combine on the Electoral Ticket.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LITTLE ROCK, Oct. 10.—The Democratic and Populist State Committees met here this afternoon and affected a fusion on the electoral ticket. The Democrats retired Jeff Davis, elector-at-large, and J. T. Robinson and H. S. Smead district electors. The Populist State Committee selected to fill these vacancies, J. R. Sovereign, elector-at-large; A. D. Tanner and E. Arnold. The fusion proposition came from Mr. Bryan himself, who wrote Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, to use his influence in bringing about a consolidation of the silver forces in Arkansas.

A FORT MONROE dispatch says that owing to a heavy easterly storm the North Atlantic squadron did not sail yesterday.

RAILWAY TRACKMEN.

Conference of the Brotherhood at St. Louis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, October 10.—The biennial conference of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trackmen has concluded its labors and adjourned to meet two years hence in Macon, Ga. The following officers and committeemen were elected: Chief, Jno. T. Wilson, St. Louis; Vice-Chief, Jno. R. Lee, St. Louis; Executive Committee—W. F. McAbee, Jasper, Ala.; J. E. Lambert, Fort Worth, Tex.; S. A. Hause, Augusta, Ga.; James Bigger, Wheeling, W. Va.

WARM WIRELETS.

Bargains to-morrow at Polvogt & Co.'s.

Treasury balances: Coin, $197,786,011; currency, $59,650,488.

At 10 o'clock last night a hurricane began blowing off the English coast.

The Aragon Hotel, at Atlanta, Ga., has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

The Imperial Bank of Germany has raised its rate of discount from 4 to 5 per cent.

A Raleigh dispatch says that Tom Watson, Populist nominee for Vice President, will visit North Carolina and make several speeches.

The United States Treasury gold reserve at the close of business yesterday stood at $124,950,046. The day's withdrawals at New York were $99 600.

A London dispatch says: Included in the withdrawals from the Bank of England was £881 000 in bar and coin gold for shipment to the United States.

Captain Randle of the steamer St. Louis, which arrived at New York yesterday, reports that he passed the disabled steamer Paris late Thursday night 500 miles east of New York. The Paris signalled that all was well and wished to be so reported.

A dispatch from Washington, D. C., says: Secretary Herbert has directed Admiral Bance, by telegraph, to order the cruiser Raleigh, Captain Morrill Miller, to proceed to Southport, N. C., on October 14th, to receive a gift of silver from the citizens of Raleigh.

"The Wares of Autolycus."

George Fleming, whose latest book is "For Plain Women Only," is one of the three accomplished women who are largely responsible for "The Wares of Autolycus," a well known column in The Pall Mall Gazette. The other two are Mrs. Alice Maynell and Elisabeth Robins Pennell. Mrs. Maynell is one of the few women entitled to write in the first person, since it is her personality that lends such charm to her work.

Curiously enough, the other two women are Americans. Mrs. Pennell is the wife of the artist and etcher and a niece of Charles G. Leland (Hans Breitman). She was a Philadelphia girl. She writes learnedly of cookery. George Fleming is better known here as Dudu Fletcher and originally came from Indianapolis. Her father, the Rev. J. C. Fletcher, was a noted traveler and lecturer. Her mother is now the wife of Eugene Benson, the artist. Her first novel, "Kismet," will be well remembered. "Mirage" is the second of a succession of novels.

Mrs. Stanton's Life.

Mrs. Stanton wrote of herself not long ago: "I am a moderate eater, enjoying simple food. I have always worn my clothing loosely, resting on my shoulders, and of the lightest material, with the lightest trimming possible; large boots, broad soles and low heels; consequently my feet have kept up with the weight they were required to carry. Not a nerve or a muscle, from head to foot, suffers any pressure from clothing. My teeth are all sound, my hair luxuriant, my hearing perfect and my eyes still able to read fine print without spectacles. I have brought up seven children, kept house 60 years and worked in all the reforms. And now, in the sunset of life, I am still busy with pen and tongue, as deeply interested as ever in all the questions of the hour, feeling with Longfellow that

"Age is opportunity no less
Than youth itself, though in another dress,
And as the evening twilight fades away
The sky is filled with stars invisible by day."

A Miniature Parliament.

There is a miniature parliament at Newnham, England's well known woman's college, with a cabinet and prime minister of its own. The Conservatives are just now in power, in this young legislature, which yields nothing in spirit and ardor to its prototype on the Thames embankment. It has legalized the opening of museums and picture galleries on Sundays, but declined to allow Sunday opening of theaters and other public places of amusement. The most exciting debate of the session was on voluntary schools, when, after a hard fight, the government, by a majority of ten, passed a motion "viewing with disfavor" the action of the educational department in placing voluntary schools under disadvantages compared with board schools. An intercollegiate debate has been arranged with Girton, its sister college, the motion to be, "That it is good for society that people should be afraid of being thought peculiar."

Matron or Maid.

In The Athenæum it was recently said that "the Oxford movement in favor of granting the B. A. degree to qualified women seems to have gained a new impetus," and the petition will probably be backed by the vice chancellor, one of the proctors and other university lights and leaders. But how can ladies, married or unmarried, ever be "bachelors?" Why not a new and special degree for them? We have maids of honor, bridesmaids, housemaids and so forth. Why not for the unmarried "L. M.," which will serve for "learned (or lovable) maid?" She will wear a becoming cap, showy gown and a hood. If married, the letters L. M. will stand for "learned matron," with bonnet, gown, streamers and hood of another cut and color, symbolizing the distinction between maidenhood and wifehood.—London Punch.

Learn to Tie Your Ties.

Every woman who aspires to wear ties should make a painstaking study of the art of tying them. Her sex is no excuse for the wearing of a ready made cravat. She should also be sure that her ties are spotlessly neat and fresh. Linen and lawn ties should be worn never more than a day. Silk ties of light colors should be of wash silk, so that they may frequently be washed, and dark silk and satin ties should occasionally be freshened by a sponging with ammonia water.

The ties most worn are the straight bows. The four in hand is also fairly popular. Plain colors prevail. Black is the color most used, but plain colors to match the tailor made frock with which they are worn are also correct.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Her Eighth Medal.

Mme. Gith, cantiniere of the Fifth regiment of Chasseurs d'Afrique of the French army, who has just been decorated with her eighth medal, has a military record that not many men can boast. Now, in her fifty-first year, Mme. Gith has in her lifetime seen service in the Crimea, in Italy, in Syria and in Mexico. At 16 she was under fire when aiding the wounded before Sevastopol.

GREEK HORSE RACES.

Kings and Princes Sometimes Drove Their Own Horses In the Olympic Games.

The most brilliant and exciting contests of the festival were the chariot and horse races. They took place in the hippodrome, adjoining the stadium. The structure itself no longer exists, and we are dependent upon analogous buildings and upon literature for its reconstruction. The portion immediately adjoining the altis was an artificial embankment, with seats backing against those of the stadium. Farther on the rolling slope formed a natural stand for the spectators. The dimensions of the hippodrome are not definitely known, but are put with some probability at two stadia in length and about 600 feet in breadth. As with the races in the stadium, the chariot and horse races also involved a sharp turn, so that the course was traversed several times before the finish. Pindar, in his "Ode to Arcesilas," speaks of the "12 swift turns of the sacred course."

The relative positions of the chariots at the start were determined by lot, but as there was a natural difference between the inside and the outside track, this difference was neutralized by a device in the manner of starting invented by Cleostas. This is described by Pausanias as in shape like the prow of a ship, with partitioned stalls, in which the chariots and horses took their stand. In front of the chariots was extended a rope. First the ropes on the extremities were slackened, and when the horses stationed there advanced as far as the horses in the second stalls, then the ropes there were slackened, and so on until all started fair at the beak. This shows that a number of chariots started together; how many is uncertain. When Pindar speaks of the 40 charioteers who fell in the Pythian contest in which Arcesilas conquered, he is not at variance with Sophocles, who relates that ten chariots then started together, for the races were doubtless run in heats. Alcibiades alone sent seven chariots to Olympia, winning the first, second and fourth prizes.

In the chariot race the skill of the driver told far more than the speed of the horses. After the trumpet had sounded and the bronze dolphin had been lowered and the bronze eagle raised as a signal for the start, his cool head in the first bolt for the lead, and amid the dust clouds of the course and at the taraxippos—that terror of horses, the turning post—often guided slower horses with success to the finish, where beside the judges stood a statue of Hippodameia holding a fillet for the victor.

Long after the quadriga had ceased to be used in active warfare the chariot race flourished in the great national games. It was the event in which the rich and powerful, princes and kings, took part and sometimes themselves appeared as charioteers. There are many memorials of these victories in Greek vase paintings, coins and gems, varying in character from serious representations of an actual race to allegorical and symbolic scenes in which Cupids and winged Victories are the charioteers.—"The Old Olympic Games," by Professor Allan Marquand, in Century.

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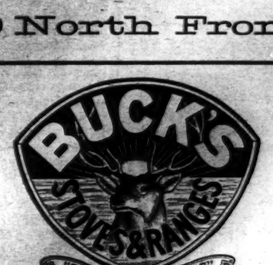

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